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Robert Zollner and Will Hall supporters will turn their attention to raising $1 million by a June contractual deadline.

Seniors pledge to raise $1M by June

Promise of a center

By Rebecca Piro

The Friends of Andover Seniors will have $4 million in hand by June of 2002 to renovate Will Hall. During the next four months, they also will add $1 million to their coffers.

Those were two of several promises that seniors made to selectmen on Monday, as selectmen sat with copies of a long-awaited fundraising feasibility report before them.

There was no mention of the controversial statistics that lie within the report – which indicate that less than half of the 15 Friends believe that the $4 million goal is attainable; that less than half are willing to work on or lead the campaign; and that the majority of the Friends themselves consider their board a weak fundraising group. Instead, Steering Committee Chairman Bob Zollner, Campaign Director Dallas Dickinson and Director of Elder Services Jeanne Madden spent their time persuading the selectmen to keep faith in the project.

Zollner explained that seniors have raised $903,000 to date, $500,000 of which the town gave as

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Redistricting and kids

Parents cross fingers, hope

By Adam Groff

Sheila Centrella was really looking forward to having her children attend Doherty Middle School.

"I picked my house based on where I want my kids to go to school," she says. She has lived in Andover for 11 years, and two years ago she and her family moved to 159 High St. so that her daughter, now in fourth grade at Bancroft Elementary, and her first-grade twins could attend Doherty. However, all the options now being considered by the Redistricting Task Force have Centrella's children attending West Middle School.

"I've been listening (to the task force proceedings), but I haven't been active," she says. "I was hoping it wouldn't happen to me. But now it's hap-

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In School Committee races

It's been no contest

By Rebecca Piro

Andover is a town that prides itself on education. The population grows every year with parents who move here so that their kids can attend Andover schools. The town recently spent about $40 million improving Andover High and two elementary schools. Two new schools, currently under construction for $34 million, are scheduled to open their doors in September of 2002. Why, then, is no one challenging the incumbents for School Committee?

The terms of School Committee member Dick Collins and Chairwoman Tina Girdwood will expire this spring. Girdwood will embark on her third three-year term, and Collins his second. But neither candidate will need to campaign for their

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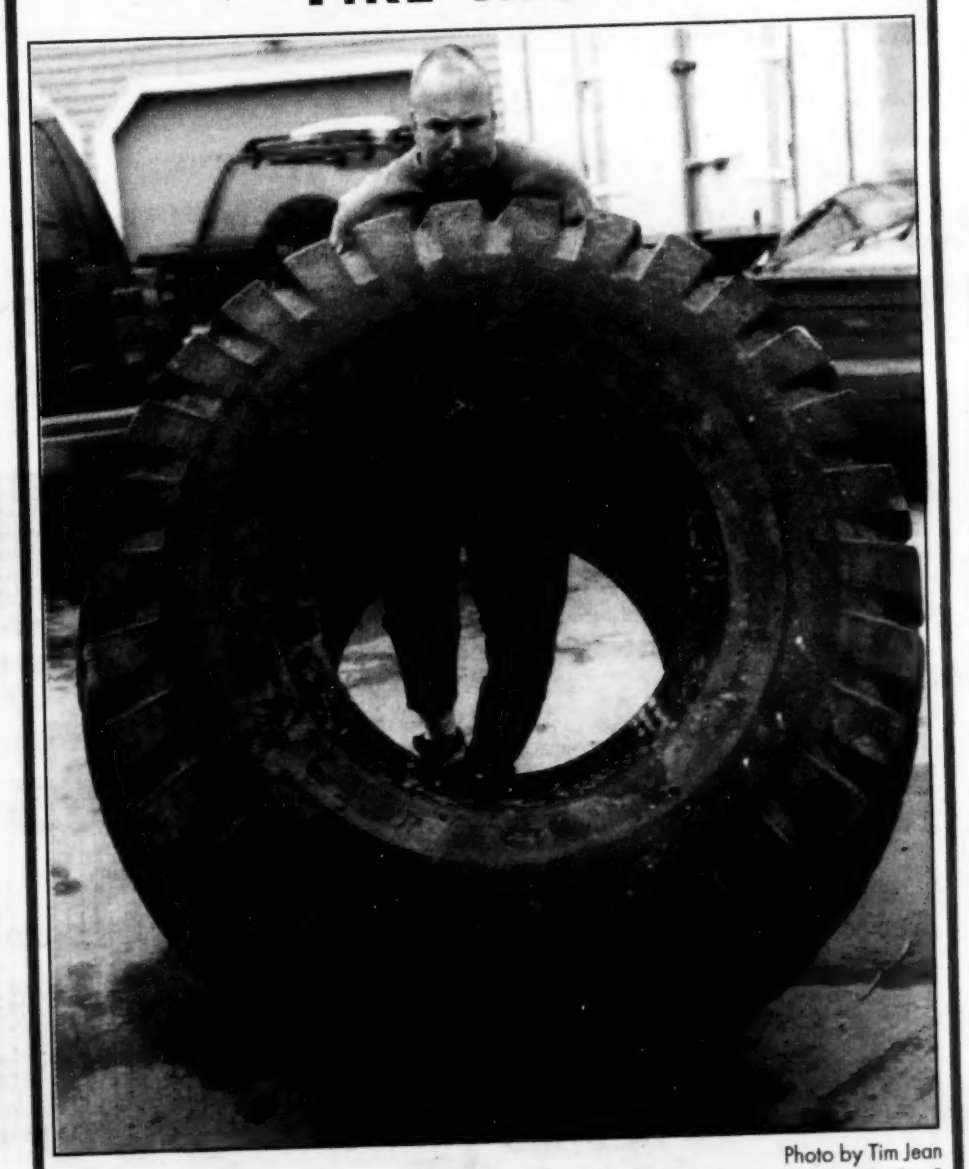

Photo by Tim Jean

Giving a lift — Art McDermott of Andover flips a 550-pound steel-belted tire to warm up for this weekend's Northeast Strongman Showdown – and McDermott is just the promoter for the event. The showdown will be held on Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Aleppo Shrine Auditorium in Wilmington, and attract men who haul 30,000-pound trucks. See page 8.

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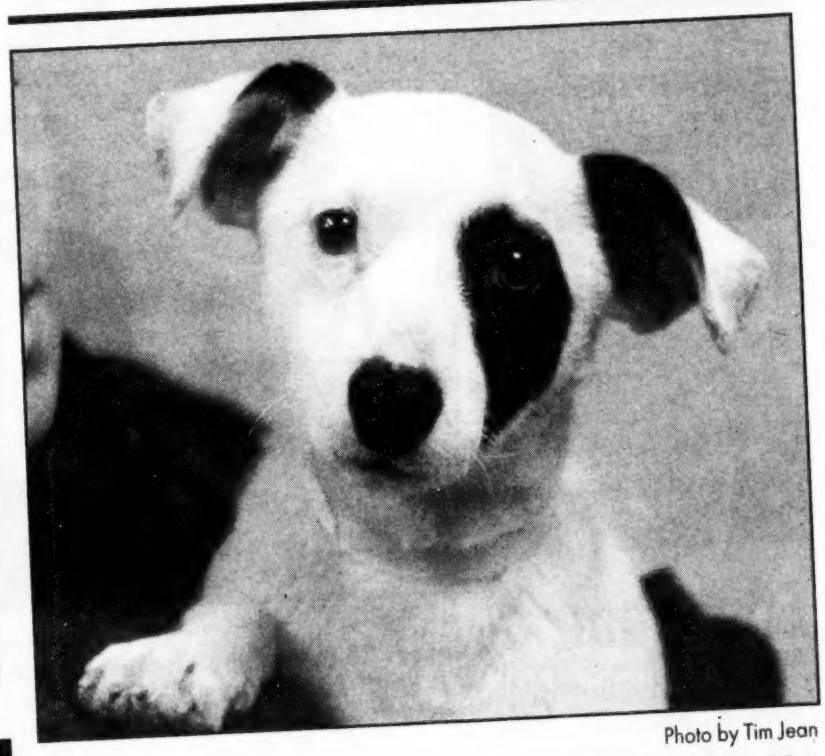

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Rough, rough — A female Dotson mix that's just a bit older than one year is one of about 15 strays or abandoned animals at the Andover Animal Hospital at 233 Lowell St. Those interested in adopting an animal can call the hospital at 475-3600.

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Heart-shaped afternoon

Last month, Patty Burke of Noel Road won a trip to her favorite country music radio station, 99.5 WKLB in Boston, to meet one of her favorite country singers, Jessica Andrews. She was pleased to bring her daughter Molly, a first-grade student at Shawsheen School.

"We are huge country-music fans," she says of herself, her husband, and their three children. "There's so much music out there that I take offense to, and it's so hard to find music on the radio that I can listen to with my daughter. For me to turn on a radio station and not have to worry about the lyrics is just so enjoyable."

So after being the right caller, Burke packed up Molly and her stuffed dog, Brownie, and headed for Morrissey Boulevard in downtown Boston. There, Andrews, last year's top new female vocalist at the American Country Music Awards, sang four songs from her album *Heart Shaped World* in the WKLB studio. The Burkes also joined Andrews, 17, and her mother and her agent for lunch.

"They were so great with Molly," said Burke. "The DJ, Carolyn Kruse, was kind enough to turn the experience into a field trip of sorts. She showed Molly all the equipment that a DJ uses, how songs are played, the microphones, all that."

Molly presented Andrews with a stuffed dog just like Brownie, and the Burkes came home with a prize package containing a Jessica Andrews CD, an autographed picture, and a WKLB T-shirt, hat and coffee mug, which Burke says Molly plans to use for milk. The next day, Molly regaled her classmates at Shawsheen with her adventures.

"I'm not great at finding my way around Boston," says Burke, "but I find my way for things like this. It was so great for Molly. They were awesome with her."

— *Adam Groff*

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Howdy — Molly Burke dined with 17-year-old country-music star Jessica Andrews as part of a radio prize.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Rogers enters NEPA Hall of Fame

The New England Press Association inducted the late Irving E. Rogers Jr. into its Community Newspaper Hall of Fame last Friday.

Rogers was the publisher of *The Eagle-Tribune* and the *Andover Townsman*. The Rogers family has owned the *Townsman* for more than 50 years.

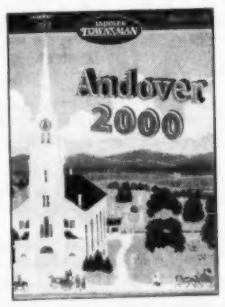
"I am thrilled NEPA has chosen my father to become a member of its Hall of Fame," said Irving E. "Chip" Rogers III, the current publisher of both papers. "I'm sure he would feel uncomfortable with this award because he always attributed the success of his papers to the entire team of employees."

The late Irving E. Rogers Jr. is one of only 50 publishers, editors, photographers or reporters to be inducted into the press association's Hall of Fame. NEPA is celebrating its 50th year.

'Townsman' among best in New England

The *Andover Townsman* collected two awards at the annual New England Press Association awards dinner on Saturday. Judges considered more than 5,000 entries from 250 regional newspapers before awarding the NEPA Awards for Outstanding Journalism.

Editor Neil Fater took second place in New England in the "Serious Columnist" category.



Millennium section

The *Townsman* staff also won a third place "Special Section" award for its October "Andover 2000" section, which looked at how Andover had changed during the 20th Century. Judges called it "a standout millennium issue."

The *Townsman* staff has won more than a dozen NEPA awards during the past five years. About 450 daily and weekly newspapers are a part of NEPA.

Finegold office hours

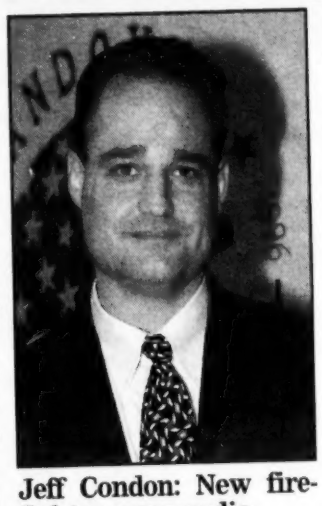
State Rep. Barry R. Finegold will hold office hours in Andover on Thursday, Feb. 22. From 8:30 to 9:30 a.m., he'll be at the Andover Senior Center and from 6 to 7 p.m. at Memorial Hall Library.

Fire addition is new in more ways than one

New fireman Jeff Condon is a two-for-one deal for the Andover Fire Department.

The Andover resident, who plans to enter the state's Fire Academy later this month, is both an addition to the fire-fighting team and Andover's first paramedic, says Fire Chief Chuck Murnane.

"He's a kind of first for the fire department," Murnane says. "We're happy to have him on."



Jeff Condon: New fire-fighter, paramedic.

Condon has worked in the Emergency Medical Services department at Lawrence General Hospital for 15 years and as a paramedic for 12 years. Currently, the Andover fire department's emergency medical technicians (EMTs) provide basic life support, such as oxygen, for patients. The addition of a paramedic to the team could make advanced life support for critical patients possible, says Condon.

The department does not currently own the necessary equipment that paramedics use for advanced life support, such as materials for breathing aids or intravenous drugs, says EMT John McMullen. But it is possible that the department will acquire a paramedic program, with all the right equipment, in the future, he adds."He's coming with experience. That will be a great help to us," McMullen says.

"I plan to make the fire department my primary career," says Condon, who will graduate from the academy in May. "I hope to take my paramedic service and incorporate it into the fire service."

—Rebecca Piro

NEWS CALENDAR

Thursday, Feb. 15

Andover Housing Authority, 256 N. Main St., 7 p.m.

Merrimack Valley Planning Commission, 160 Main St. Haverhill, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 16

Board of Selectmen, senior center sub-committee, town offices, third-floor conference room, 12:15 p.m. *Televised.*

Tuesday, Feb. 20

Conservation Commission, town offices, third-floor conference room, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 21

Recycling Committee, town offices, second-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 22

Ballardvale Traffic Task Force, Memorial Hall Library, 7:30 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 26

Redistricting Task Force, School Committee room, school administration building, 7 p.m.

Board of Selectmen, town offices, third-floor conference room, 7:30 p.m. *Televised.*

Quote, unquote . . .

"That $600,000 is sacred money. It would be financially irresponsible to chip that away."

Selectmen Chairman Brian Major, who says that tucking $600,000 of tax money away into the stabilization fund this upcoming fiscal year is one of the town's top priorities. (Story, page 14.)

"The information is out there, and a lot of the (kids) are trying to use it. Whether they are being successful is the question."

Memorial Hall Librarian Beth Kerrigan, explaining why it is important that kids and their parents learn how to correctly navigate the Internet. (Story, page 4.)

"I don't have an idea for how to come up with an additional million dollars. I don't know how we'd fund that budget this year without a Prop 2 1/2 override."

Finance Committee Chairwoman Joanne Marden on the superintendent's preliminary school budget for fiscal year 2002, which is $1.1 million higher than the town manager's recommended school budget. (Page 11.)

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New community service award for Goldstein

Andover High School junior Laura Goldstein, 16, has been honored by a national group that recognizes young people for outstanding acts of volunteerism.

Goldstein was among eight middle- and high-school students from Massachusetts honored with the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards.

The awards are sponsored by the Prudential Insurance Company and have been given out for the past six years. The group recognizes teens from across the country who volunteer.

Goldstein was honored for designing information kits for children whose parents are going through cancer treatments. The kits help youngsters better understand what is happening to their parents.

Goldstein has first-hand experience with her subject matter. Her mother, Janice Goldstein, was diagnosed with breast cancer when Laura was just 9. Janice Goldstein's cancer has been in remission since 1994.

The kits were launched after Goldstein secured a $3,000 grant from the American Cancer Society in a contest that challenged participants to "make the world a better place." She has been devoted to her cause ever since.

Last year, Goldstein was named an honorary chairman of Holy Family Hospital's annual "Sports for Life" benefit. She organized a group of teens from Andover who participated in the 5K walk and run and 20-mile bike ride in memory of former Andover High principal Larry Robinson. He died of cancer two years ago.

She will get an engraved bronze medallion for her latest community service award.

— Judy Wakefield

Giving kids the boot

Memorial Hall Library has about 13 computers open to the public. But librarian Beth Kerrigan knows that they aren't any good unless people know how to use them.

Kerrigan is one of two library employees instructing a program called BOOT Up!, a class that teaches middle-school children and their parents how to better use the Internet for research purposes.

The acronym stands for "Beating online obstacles together," says library director Jim Sutton. "It's not just knowing how to turn a computer on. It's knowing how to find these databases," he says.

Memorial Hall owns several informational programs, including online encyclopedias, full-text magazine databases, electric libraries, and medical and legal information. Many of these programs are accessible only through a user's library card – and the user's know-how.

Last summer, the state awarded Memorial Hall Library a $17,000 grant that employees used to purchase nine laptop computers and pay instructors for the two-year program, says Kerrigan. The library will hold several sessions between now and June, and parents and students can call the library at 623-8401, Ext. 34, to register for the two-night classes. The sessions are structured for students grades six through eight.

"We want to (teach them) to evaluate the tools, such as the Web site they are finding, to know whether it is actually authentic information and not out of date," says Kerrigan. "For parents it's important, because some of them are not familiar with what their kids are doing on the Web. By having them come too, they can handle some of the questions that come up for their kids."

The free classes are helpful to middle-school children who are just learning how to do research for school, says Kerrigan. Grades six through eight are often the first times that students are faced with major research projects.

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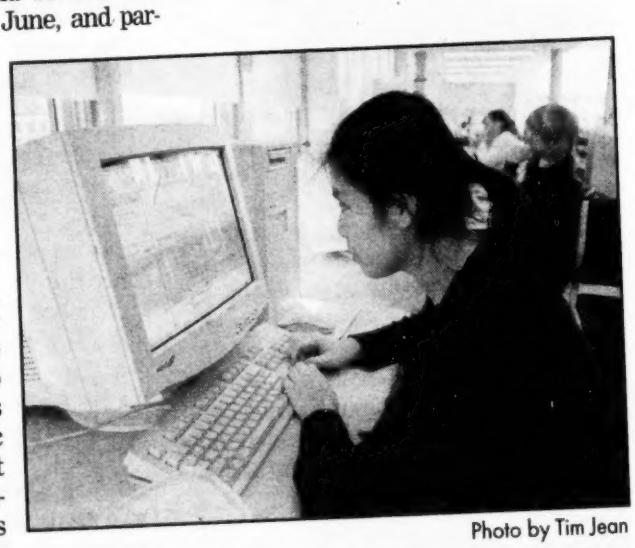
— Rebecca Piro



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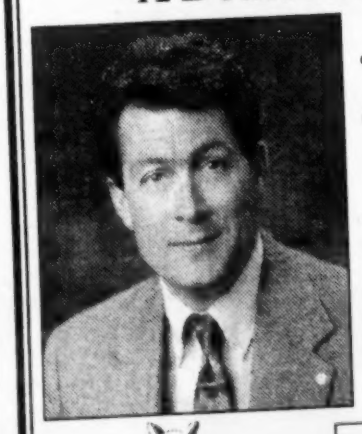

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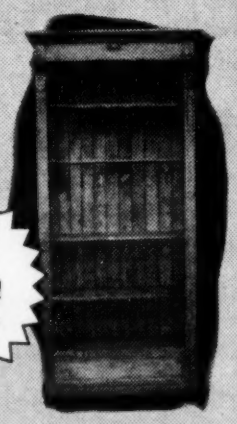

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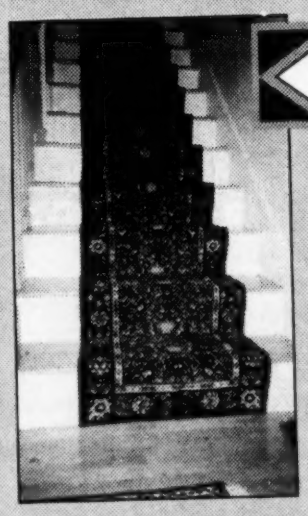

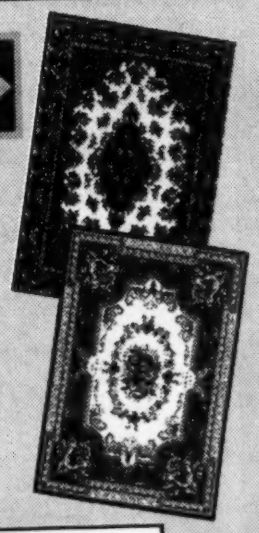

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Seniors new effort: 'We're in the process of succeeding'

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seed money for the project back in 1996. Seniors have already spent $255,140 of that seed money on site plans. They have struggled to raise the total $4 million to renovate Will Hall in accordance with the town's lease with owner Phillips Academy.

"We have not failed, but we have not yet succeeded," said Zollner. "We're in the process of succeeding."

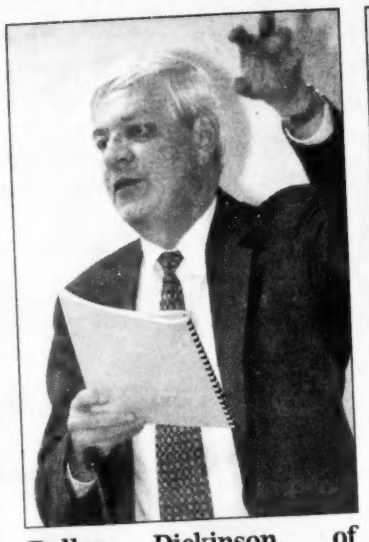
A new process started Jan. 9 when Zollner was appointed chair of the steering committee. He began reorganizing the fundraising leadership, a move that hired fundraiser Butcher, Nolan & Briggs suggested to revive the fast-fading campaign.

"We are very, very active. We have been running very hard since then to convince you that this project is still on target," Zollner told the selectmen. "As chairman, I will cooperate with this board in any way I can to assure you of our good will. We will keep in touch."

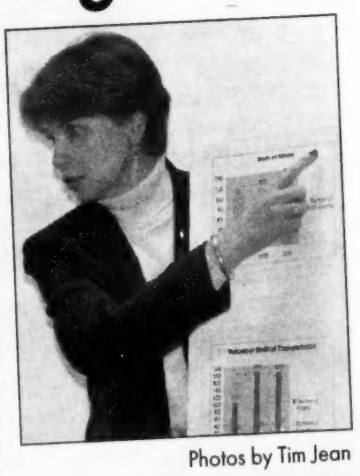
A lack of communication, among other things, are some of the reasons the Friends have not succeeded thus far, according to Butcher's report. Zollner did not refer to the report or its statistics, but he did assure the board that any lack of success on the Friends' part was not from a lack of effort.

"They have worked hard over the last year and a half, as has the president of the Friends. You may have the impression that there wasn't much labor put into this in the past, but there was. What they did didn't work out, but we're going to make it work."

Zollner suggested that the selectmen form a subcommittee to increase communication between the seniors and the officials, and Selectman Ted Teichert requested that Butcher submit an updated fundraising progress report to the board each month to keep them on track, to which Zollner readily agreed. Selectman Chairman Brian Major agreed to join Selectman Mary French in serving as a the project's subcommittee.



Dallas Dickinson, of fundraiser Butcher, Nolan and Briggs, says he'll recommend seniors abort the effort if there is not sufficient progress.



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At Monday's selectmen's meeting, Council on Aging Director Jeanne Madden again outlined why seniors are seeking a new senior center at Phillips Academy's Will Hall dormitory.

Dickinson, who works for Butcher, will report the campaign's status to the Friends by the end of February as a way to "keep the campaign moving."

"If we're not satisfied (with the campaign's progress), we'll recommend that it be aborted," Dickinson said.

Butcher plans to begin soliciting its first major donations – six figures or more – and to have $1.9 million total by June 30 of this year, says Dickinson. By the following June, the Friends will have another $2.5 million, putting them over the top of the $4 million goal. The Will Hall price tag will not rise above that $4 million estimate, Zollner promised.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski must assure Phillips Academy of the project's imminent success to continue with the lease. "(The project) requires an affirmation from the town this June and next June," said Stapczynski. "We need success at that point." By June of 2002, seniors must have all $4 million in hand, not including any letters of credit, he said.

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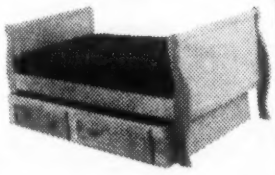

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Seeking milk without ice chunks

A group of girls at Doherty Middle School want better school food, and they've gotten a quarter of the student body to back them up.

Between 200 and 300 Doherty students have signed a petition that reads, "Please sign this petition in order to get healthier, more enjoyable food in the school cafeteria." The student activists behind this campaign are Michelle Blanter, Rebecca Christoforo, Hannah French, and three of their classmates in a debate class. Their petition for change started when they were asked to pick a subject to debate, and they chose school lunches.

"It was supposed to be a debate, but it can't be a debate, because there's no one on the other side," said Christoforo, "so we're giving a speech."

The girls say they are tired of soggy fries, warm mayonnaise, bruised apples, and milk with chunks of ice in it. And they sorely miss the soup that was taken off the menu a few years ago.

"Basically, we just want soup," said French. "And salad," chimed in Blanter.

The students say they want to take their issue to the top.

"We definitely want to talk to (Food Services Director) Karen Pappa and (School Superintendent) Claudia Bach," said French.

Next week: After going into the school cafeterias, the Townsman *will run a more extensive feature on Andover school lunches from the perspective of parents, students, and administrators.*

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Food fight — Hannah French, Michelle Blanter and Becky Christoforo are among the Doherty students seeking different food from the school.

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Youth-center group nears agreement

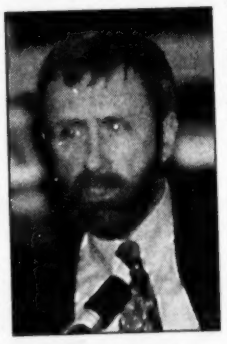
The Board of Selectmen voted unanimously Monday night to award the $4 million youth center project to the Andover Youth Foundation.

AYF's application outlines a plan to construct a 27-square-foot center off Ledge Road in West Andover with private funds. As expected, it was the only applicant for the town's request for proposal (RFP) to build a center.

The town's RFP had required that an applicant prove that it could raise all the funds privately, construct a building of such magnitude, raise the funds within a two-year window and complete the project by January 2004.

"What we found was that the proposal by Andover Youth Foundation was either advantageous or highly advantageous in each one of those categories," said Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski.

Residents at Special Town Meeting this fall approved a plan that will allow AYF to build a youth center on town land and then give the center to the town. The town's approval of the RFP is subject to an agreement between the town and the foundation regarding the project's terms and conditions. Officials have yet to draw up the agreement.



Tom Jones

The agreement should be finalized before AYF's campaign kickoff, scheduled for the last week of March, said AYF fundraiser Tom Jones.

Approximately 22 AYF steering committee members attended a retreat last Saturday, Feb. 10, for training in fundraising techniques, to prepare the members for soliciting the needed donations, said Jones.

"It's a very busy and active time. We feel really comfortable that the funds do exist in the town," Jones said.

— Rebecca Piro

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Home of 'America' needs contest

Only one person on the entire town-election ballot this coming March *won't* become an elected official.

The moderator's race is uncontested. The Housing Authority race is uncontested. And, in a town that prides itself on providing a remarkable education, the School Committee race is uncontested. Only three people are running for the two available seats on the Board of Selectmen.

That's a shame. While the current board members are widely respected, Andover voters would only benefit from having a choice. They always benefit from the debates and discussions that arise from a contested election.

The League of Woman Voters and the town clerk's office should be applauded for their efforts to inform people about how they can run for public office. Hopefully, more people will run in the future.

For now, though, perhaps the number of uncontested races will help residents respect the commitment of those few who do choose to give their time. It isn't an easy task — and obviously it isn't an enviable one either.

Hopefully, furious residents will remember the commitment of elected officials before they rant, rave or berate these volunteers at committee meetings. It doesn't happen often, but it happens enough to make an impression on some. A consistently civil tone and a bit of respect for elected officials might be one more force that could encourage additional qualified people to run in the future.

Letters policy

The *Townsman* accepts letters to the editor from the community. Letters must be typed, and no longer than two, double-spaced pages. All letter writers must include an address and phone number with the letter. The phone number will not be published.

The paper reserves the right to edit letters at its discretion. Reasons for editing include editing for length, clarity and style.

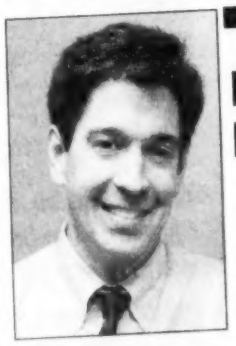
Letters should be received by the *Townsman* by Monday at 5 p.m. for consideration in that week's paper. They may be sent by mail, fax or e-mail. As a general rule, the paper does not publish anonymous letters or thank you letters.

It also does not publish letters for candidates in the issue prior to an election.

Photo by Tim Jean

Happy trails — Supporters and past presidents of the Historical Society celebrated with Barbara Thibault last week. Thibault (in front) is leaving the institution, but used her party to raise money for it.

McDermott gives his off-the-wall sport a lift



Neil Fater

What do you call a guy who can push a 3.5-ton Humvee 100 feet, flip 800-pound Monster-truck tires like burgers and sprint with the equivalent of a small piano on his back?

Amateur.

At least you do if you're Art McDermott, and you're planning New England's first strongman competition. (Otherwise, you do so at your peril.)

McDermott, of Wildwood Drive, is the promoter for the Northeast Strongman Showdown, pitting USA's strongmen "versus the world."

The clash among guys who flip cars for fun – and prize money – will occur Saturday, Feb. 17, at the Aleppo Shrine Auditorium in Wilmington. In the morning, the amateurs will push Humvees and the like. Then, at 4 p.m., the professionals will strut their stuff.

You may have seen professional strongmen on TV once or twice. These guys push the amateurs' Humvees for light exercise. They pull 30,000-pound trucks a distance of 100 feet in less time than it takes to reheat coffee in the microwave. They put on and run with "super yokes," which are like the yokes oxen wear, except they weigh as much as the ox. In short, these are guys willing to lift anything at anytime.

McDermott himself jokingly refers to flipping the 550-pound steel-belted tire in his garage as a "pesky warm up." He's equipped his garage to allow him to flip the tire around inside and lift giant stones — and he's just the promoter.

A former track and field athlete, McDermott finished seventh at the 1999 World Championships in track and field. Like other new strongmen, he says he became attracted to the sport because it seemed more interesting to try to benchpress a telephone pole than to sit at the gym doing 100 curls.

"It's fun, as opposed to going to the gym, working out. More and more people are doing it because guys get bored," says McDermott. "The sport is really starting to grow."

McDermott, a former employee of struggling Internet giant CMGI, says that when he began organizing Saturday's event, he figured it would be a small affair.

"I want to get into sports promotion, so I said, 'Let's have a strongman competition.' I figured if I could possibly get

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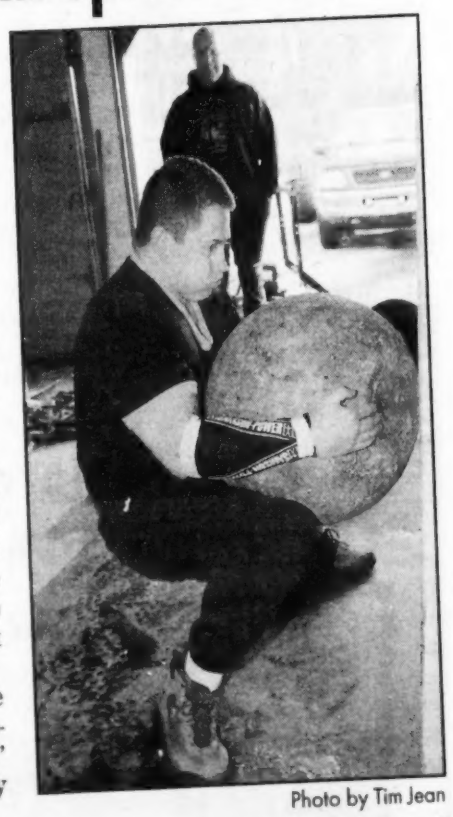

Photo by Tim Jean

Heavy duty — Bob Jodoin of Lawrence has been training with Andover's Art McDermott since October. He'll compete as an amateur at strongman events including the atlas stones, which involves lifting round weights onto platforms as quickly as possible.

Letters

Coalition supports legislator's vote against 'Speaker for life'

Editor, *Townsman:*

Last week, the newly formed Coalition for Legislative Reform, a group of organizations calling for transparency, accountability, and credibility from state government, issued its first "Summonses and Citations" to the state legislators. Legislators were named for either improving or diminishing democracy, as evidenced by their Jan. 24 vote on the "Speaker for Life" issue, wherein the eight-year term limit for the House Speaker was abolished.

The coalition, which includes Common Cause, CPPAX, Citizens for Limited Taxation, the League of Women Voters, MASSPIRG, and others, believes that the vote to eliminate the term limit for Speaker was an anti-democratic vote, and a step backwards for democracy in Massachusetts.

Citizens in Andover should therefore be pleased to know that Rep. Barry Finegold voted against elimination of the Speaker term limit, and was awarded a citation from the coalition for standing up for open and accountable government.

Janet S. Domenitz
Executive Director, MassPIRG

Parker, beware – No sign doesn't necessarily mean no ticket

Editor, *Townsman:*

On Nov. 7 at 2:30 p.m., I received a parking ticket. I was parked on York Street between Balmoral and Route 133 (Haverhill Street). When I parked my car on the west side of the street there were also four other cars parked there. I purposefully got out of the car to check the entire block for any signs that said "No Parking." There were none. There are, however, signs further down on the street adjacent to the playing field on York. So when I got the ticket I was surprised.

That day I took pictures of the entire block, which clearly showed there were no signs anywhere along the block, and sent them in with the ticket to the office of the parking clerk. On Feb. 5, I received a parking ticket issued/hearing request form. I called the parking clerk to ask to schedule a hearing. She said that we could have the hearing over the phone. I then asked if she had received the photos. She said, "I cannot go by those photographs."

She said that she had asked around at the public safety department, and someone continues to take the signs down. But how was I to know that this was a restricted parking area if there are no signs? She said that it didn't matter and that public safety would continue to ticket even though there are no signs, and that I should have known that there were supposed to be signs.

I am letting the townspeople of Andover know that we can get ticketed for parking when there are no signs that say "No Parking." Apparently, there is nothing we can do about it. I asked the parking clerk if she had a superior and she said I had to talk to her and I am responsible for the ticket. Good luck on those streets out there.

Rhonda Goff
6 Brentwood Circle

Photo by Tim Jean

A letter writer says that a lack of signs led her to believe she could park on a section of York Street. But she still ended up paying a parking fine.

Heavy lifting

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one big name from the U.S., if I could get someone to come in and give a demonstration (it could work)," says McDermott.

But interest poured in not just from U.S. strongmen, but from those in Norway, Northern Ireland, Scotland, Finland and Canada.

"It's a dead time of year in both Europe and the U.S., so next thing you know guys said they were coming," says McDermott.

Northeast strongmen are waiting for their chance to show what they can do.

"Indiana is the hotbed for it in the U.S. right now, but not for long," says amateur Bob Jodoin, with a smile. "The Northeast is coming. We just need a little time."

Jodoin trains with about a half dozen other strongmen every Sunday – including Christmas Eve – in McDermott's garage. McDermott is building a gym next to it. For now, he and his wife park outside, so the garage can house an impressive array of, well, real heavy stuff.

"My wife will get her half back as soon as this is done," McDermott promises. "She's been more than a little tolerant."

As for his half? He'll keep his car outside, cover the floor with mats and continue using it for strongman stuff.

Strongman stuff, by the way, consists of several different events. The beauty of it is that those involved have some freedom to create new events of their own.

John Lundstrom of North Reading, who competes in the Highland Games in Scotland and trains in Andover with McDermott, once found two huge stones at a stream. So he drilled holes into them, and contestants were timed to see who could complete a course the fastest while carrying the 508 pounds of rock.

"You never know when a strongman competition is going to break out," says Jodoin. "If there's something heavy laying around..."

...a strongman will figure out a way to lift it, throw it or flip it in competition.

There are several standard strongman events, however. Lundstrom's stone carry is an altered version of something called a "farmer's walk." On Saturday, this will involve guys picking up a 325-pound weight in each hand and sprinting 200 feet. I bet these guys never missed a plane because they had to drag luggage through the airport.

I can see how the first strongman competition started: Two big guys, a few hundred years ago, are building a stone wall. One bets the other he can't lift a certain rock. The other bets the first he can't do it with one hand. Soon they're seeing who can build the wall the fastest. I'm guessing mead was involved.

Strongman competition, as near as I can figure it, sounds like H-O-R-S-E for guys who can benchpress a basketball floor. It sounds like some guys sitting around saying, "I can do this, can you?" It sounds like a lot more fun than 100 squats at the gym.

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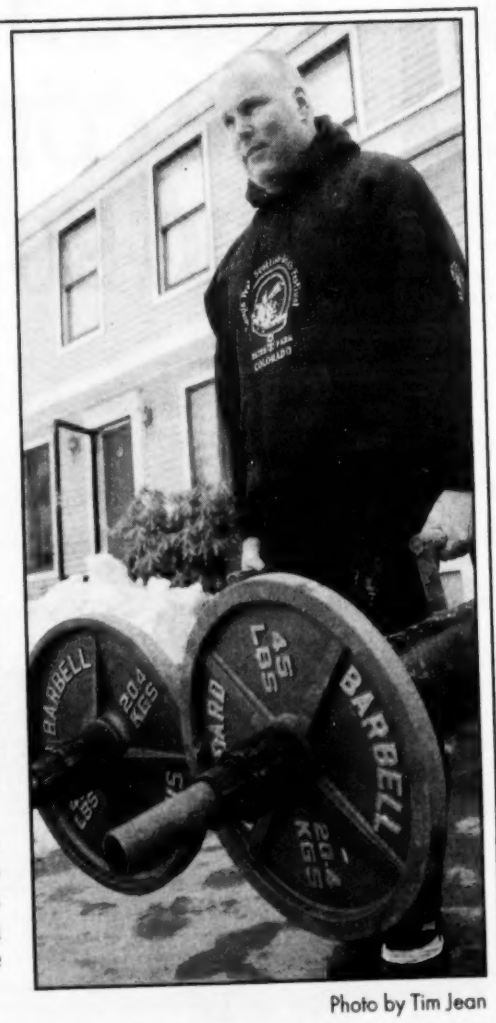

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Art McDermott does the "farmer's walk."

Strongman info

The Northeast Strongman Showdown is Saturday, Feb. 17 at the Aleppo Shrine Auditorium in Wilmington, Exit 39 of Interstate 93.

Tickets are $10 for adults, $6 for children under 13 and are available at the door or by calling (978) 657-4202.

In addition to amateur and professional competitions, a compact dumbell called a Thomas Inch will be on hand. People can try to lift it in exchange for a small fee, which will go to a college student and strongman who was involved in a car accident.

"If there's one guy in the whole building who can lift it, I'll be surprised,"says John Lundstrom, who has lifted it himself. He says from 1910 to 1953 thousands tried, but only one man could lift the weight — Thomas Inch. "It weighs 173 pounds, but that's not the hard part. The hard part is the handle's thickness. It's two and a half inches."

Lifting it with one hand, without the slipping out of one's grasp, is difficult — as are other strongman events. "There's a huge cardiovascular component. An event like the truck pull can last a minute and 30 seconds of pulling a 30,000-pound truck," says Bob Jodoin, who will compete in his first competition.

Parents, task force face the effect redistricting will have on kids

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pening to me in four options."

Centrella says she understands that in the process of funneling students from five elementary schools into three middle schools, some students will inevitably be separated from their friends and classmates. But with four options on the table as of the latest task force meeting Tuesday night, she thought at least one might allow her children to stay put, and maybe that would be the one the School Committee would ultimately select.

"I'd have some hope that it might not happen," she says, "but this makes me angry. I do think kids are resilient, I think my daughter will adjust, but it's the fact that this is not my choice. It's disappointing."

At a two-and-a-half hour meeting Tuesday night, the 10-member Redistricting Task Force continued its effort to steer a course between respecting the concerns of Andover parents like Centrella and achieving the messy task it has been assigned: populating the elementary and middle schools being constructed at Cross Street and High Plain Road to relieve growing overcrowding in Andover schools.

In the filled-to-capacity School Committee Room, Centrella was one of several parents who took the opportunity to tell her story to the task force. She lives in a "pocket" consisting of a stretch of High Street between Walnut Street and Haverhill Street on which 22 Bancroft students live. Such pockets have been identified throughout Andover by the task force as areas between school districts that are up for grabs in the various redistricting options. Centrella pointed out to School Committee representative Gerald Gustus that while her pocket contains 22 students, only three, including her daughter, will be separated from their peers to attend West instead of Doherty in 2002 when the new schools open.

"You have to look at the breakdown," she said with emotion. "This is a shame."

"It's a terrible shame," responded Gustus. "But if I look at the breakdown in your pocket, I have to look at the breakdown in every other pocket, and if I do that, I'll go crazy. We'll all go crazy."

With four tentative middle school options and two tentative elementary school options on paper, the task force now plans to go back and create one or more elementary options. The committee will meet three more times, the last time on March 28, before it makes a townwide presentation, proposed at the meeting for April 4 at Doherty Middle School. All the options will then be presented to the School Committee, which will select one for elementary schools and one for middle schools.

Carol Liedes of Gould Road is a task force member with a son in fourth grade at South Elementary. Under the current options, her son would be redistricted to Bancroft.

"As we get closer and closer to finishing, it's an emotional time for everyone," she said. "As committee members, we've certainly entertained everyone's point of view, through neighborhood petitions, letters from individuals, question-and-answer sessions, and all of us on the task force have certainly received telephone calls. As a task force member, I'm not on this committee to save the world, I'm on it to have equity for all the schools."

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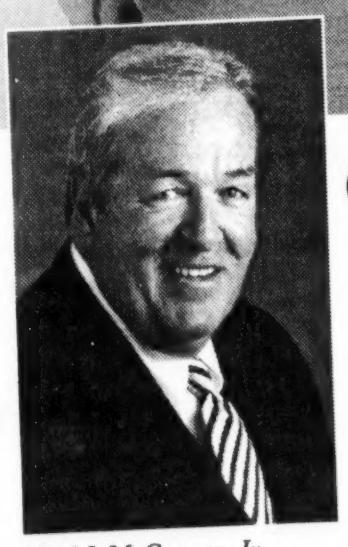
Look of concern —Sheila Centrella is one of many parents attentively watching the Redistricting Task Force's work.



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2002 budget: Schools, town $1.1 million apart

By Adam Groff

In the coming weeks and months, the school department and the town have a $1.1 million discrepancy to work out between what the schools superintendent recommends for a schools budget and what the town manager is willing to give.

Superintendent Claudia Bach's preliminary budget for fiscal year 2002, released last week, requests $42,554,797, representing an 8.9-percent increase over last year's approved school budget. Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski's recommended town budget includes $41,479,566 for schools, a smaller increase of 6.2 percent. Therein lies the rub – a more than $1 million rub.

"I don't have an idea for how to come up with an additional million dollars," said Finance Committee Chairman Joanne Marden. "I don't know how we'd fund that budget this year without a Prop 2½ override."

At last year's Town Meeting, the Finance Committee suggested that if Andover's budget continues to increase as it has in previous years, the town could be in the red as early as fiscal year 2003. This would require either cuts to existing services, or a general override of Proposition 2½ just to pay for the annual budget.

Despite this warning, it appears officials still plan substantial increases in the coming operating budget.

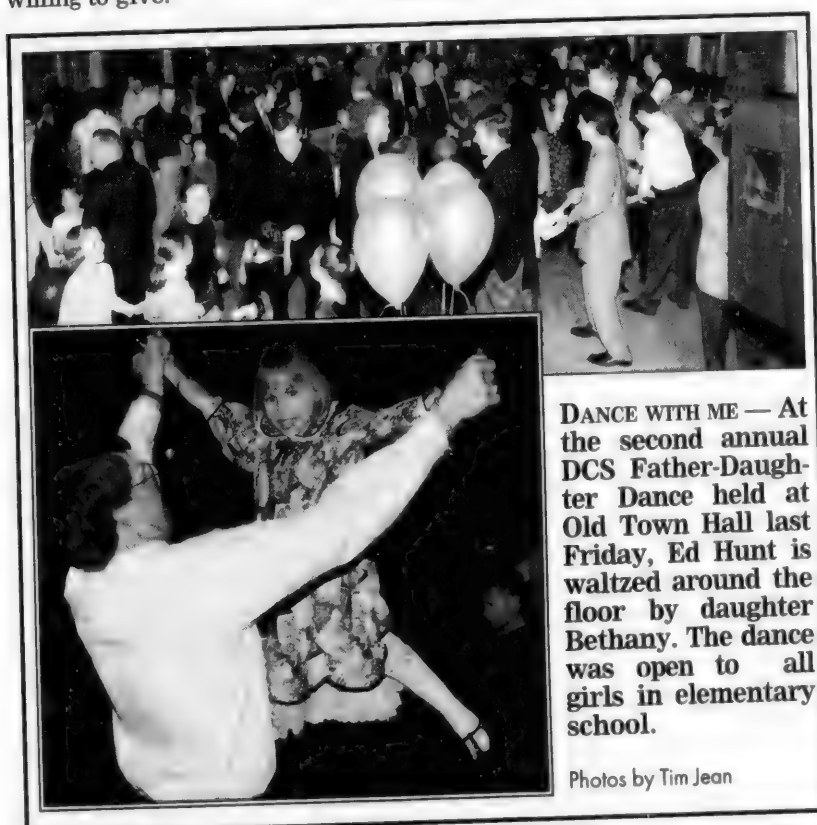
Monday night, Feb. 12, the superintendent huddled with the School Committee in a budget workshop, and the committee is expected to vote on a school budget this Tuesday. On March 7, the School Committee will meet with the selectmen and the Finance Committee to review the budget.

"This is a great opportunity for these three boards to sit down and figure out what the priorities of the town are and come up with a solution that is fair and legitimate," said Selectmen Chairman Brian Major. "We don't have enough money under the levy limit to pay for it all, so we have to set priorities. When we take a look at our alternatives, one is to stay within our limits; the other is to vote for an override."

Regarding the option of asking the town for a Proposition 2½ override, Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski said, "I don't see it in the next year or two." He said that because the town approved a debt exclusion just last year to cover the debts from the new schools and safety center, a similar vote is not likely to be pursued again right away.

"This is a dance that gets played out every year," Stapczynski said of the town's and the school's budgetary differences. "We want to reach a settlement that's a win-win situation for all of us."

Regarding the choice between cutting other town services and overriding Proposition 2½ to pay for the school budget, School Committee member Gerald Gustus said, "I think those are two ways to pay for it, but I think there are other ways too. For one thing, the revenue-growth figures in the town manager's budget are always a work in progress – there's a potential for greater-than-expected revenue growth. Last year the (town and school) budgets were not matched, and the year before they were not matched – and yet, those School Committee budgets got funded without severely impairing or cutting other budgets."



DANCE WITH ME — At the second annual DCS Father-Daughter Dance held at Old Town Hall last Friday, Ed Hunt is waltzed around the floor by daughter Bethany. The dance was open to all girls in elementary school.

Photos by Tim Jean

AHS open house tonight

The Andover High School Parent Advisory Council (PAC) announced that Andover High School will hold its open house for the current school term tonight, Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7.

Parents should note that parking at the high school is limited. Parents are encouraged to arrive together, or to carpool where possible.

AHS students named to second-term honor roll

The following students have been named to the Andover High School Honor Roll for Term II:

Class of 2001

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Ahern, Brendan Harvey
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Ataide, Jennifer Lyn
Axelrod, Kerri Lynn
Bindman, Jessica Sarah
Buckley, Katharine Rice
Callahan, Stephanie Lynne
Camelio, Amanda Mary
Capano, Michael John
Caplan, Alex Ross
Carroll, Heidi Frances
Carroll, Virginia Anne
Caverly, Christopher Dyer
Chapin, Thomasine Roberta
Cline, Jennifer Elise
Cohen-Iveson, Brittany Ann
Crossley, Vivienne Catherine
Cuevas, Tyina Lynne
Currier, Melissa Jean
Daly, Erin Cuffe
Davis, Benjamin John
Davis, Nicole Alyssa
Dennis, Corey Mark
Driscoll, Elizabeth Maura
Dugan, Katherine Baffi
Fallon, Mary Kathleen
Filbin, Robert William
Finegold, Diana Frayda
Fink, Jessica Susan
Flanagan, Tara Jean
Foley, Shawna Rachel
Grabowski, Rose Anna
Guo, Meng
Iworsley, Joy Katherine
Jensen, Matilde Nisbeth
Kane, Jennifer Quigley
Kennedy, Cara-Marie
Kim, Sora Jennifer
Krey, Christoph Edward
Lothrop, Maureen Cullen
Mackenzie, Nathan Paul
Maki, Yutaka
Matsuki, Megumi
McCumber, Lynne Meredith
McDade, Melissa Honor
Mirza, Nida
Mohammed, Alia Joie
Mullen, Kathryn Noreen
Park, Andrew Hyung-Eun
Pelletier, Nicholas William
Perry, Erin Colleen
Pfeil, Emily Carol
Pierce, Stephanie Lee
Rainen, David Stein
Roda, Richard Americo
Rosensweig, Matthew Adler
Schade, Nicholas Benjamin
Shaw, Melanie Beth
Suntharapot, Sorrawee
Tisbert, Lisa Lynn
Tomaszczuk, Tina Lynn
Traub, Taylor Marie
Tsang, On Kin
Ventura, Kira Naomi
Volinski, Jeffrey Michael
Wallace, Kellie Ann
Weiner, Brett Adam
Wholey, David Griffin
Wolk, Rebecca Ann
Woo, Caitlin Susanne
Yen, Lesley Lynne
Young, Robin Lynne

HONORS

Adams, Chelsee Leigh
Adams, Gabriel Seth
Adams, Leslie Michelle
Ahn, Sarah Eunjin
Almon, Jonathan Gordon
Andersen, Kristen JoAnne
Anderson, Michael Paul
Antaya, Michael Paul
Araujo, Susannah Marie
Aronson, Jennifer Lynne
Ataide, Stephanie Ann
Aufiero, Thomas James
Berger, Jesse Martin
Berger, Nicholas Daniel
Birtles, Jessica Kathryn
Bouchard, Brock Ryan
Brennan, Amy Catherine
Brooks, Joshua Joseph
Busby, Jennifer Elizabeth
Byrne, Michael Thomas
Castonguay, Joseph Maurice
Cataldo, Christopher Patrick
Cataldo, Erica Germano
Champion, J. Alexander
Chanc, Timothy Adam
Chien, Sky Ta
Chu, Janice Shana May
Chuang, April Kuang-Wei
Clifton, Reed Alan
Cohen, Matthew Scott
Conlon, Courtney Clair
Conn, Nina Anne
Couture, Kelly A
Daley, Patrick William
Dascoli, Derek Dominic
Dasilva, Michael Joseph
Davis, Alexander Michael
Day, Roderick Utgoff
Deering, Joseph Patrick
Delaney, Matthew Patrick
Deleo, Gregory James
Domigan, Ryan Cotter
Donahue, Ellen Margaret
Eulie, Evan Kenneth
Feinberg, Amy Beth
Feola, Marisa G
Ferris, Shelby Ann
Fish, Stephanie Jeanne
Fitzpatrick, Michael Gardner
Floreen, Anna Elizabeth
Fuhr, Gretchen Rae
Fung, Renee Win-Yan
Galebach, Timothy Stephen
Gallagher, Andrew Lawrence
Gardner, Adam Stone
Gardner, Jonathan George
Gerstein, Millie Rebecca
Gillis, Shannon Lee
Gleason, Brendan Patrick
Graham, Stephen Arthur
Ha, Christine Soojung
Hagopian, Lindsey Annig
Hargadon, Ashley Evans
Hayes, Ryan Martin
Hemenway, Holly Diana
Herlihy, Amy Marie
Hibino, Stephen Yosh
Higgins, Eamonn Duffin
Hitchins, Amanda Kate
Hough, Catherine Mary
Huang, Michael Howjin
Hwang, Ji Young
Hylton, Melissa Susan
Ibe, Ogechi Akunna
Inman, Ross Alexander
Jee, Christopher Jinsoo
Jenike, Eric Andrew
Johes, Matthew Alexander
Kapelson, Lauren Jayne
Karnik, Rucha Ashutosh
Keaten, John Lee
Kessler, Felix Fritjhof
Kessler, Nils Hendrick
Klayman, Elizabeth Jeannine
Konjoian, Brett Bedros
Kramer, Stephen Dunlap
Krieger, Alexa Ruth
Leahy, Michelle Diane
Lee, Chieh-Yin Eric
Lin, Michelle Hsing-Ye
Lohar, Naseem Bano
Lustig, Adam Geoff
Mackay, Sean Paul
Magnan, Justin Phillip
Maloney, Jonathan Richard
Mann, Jillian Eileen
Marshall, Jeffrey Robert
Martel, Adam Richard
Martin, Erik Andrew
Mathias, Shaila Teresa
McCurdy, Maura Degan
McLaughlin, Tommy John
Mertes, Laura Michelle
Michelinie, James William
Miliotis, George Marcus
Moran, Dennis Vincent
Moskal, Luke Christopher
Mulligan, Hugh Emmett
Nichols, Leslie Janet
O'Brien, Kerrien Kiley
Ofria, Jonathan Woodward
Palumbo, Dominick Michael
Patel Sheena
Paull, James William
Perry, Adam Charles
Raskin, Alexander Eastwood
Rillahan, Casey Michael
Ristuccia, John Michael
Ronan, John Michael
Rose, Matthew Allen
Roy, Patrick Matthew
Schelfhaudt, Lauren Victona
Schofield, Hillary Barron
Sermos, Caitlin Elizabeth
Shaheen, Lindsay Katherine
Shanahan, Michael C.
Shepard, Kevin Patrick
Sherman, James Andrew
Simili, Caitlin Elizabeth
Smaglia, Christine Anne
Stearns, John Ryan
Stolberg, Kaitlin Elizabeth
Stone, Laura Diana
Sullivan, Nicholas Joseph
Sullivan, Patrick Burke
Taylor, Jessica Sara
Timko, Andrew Michael
Toland, Sean Michael
Trageser, Vern Martin
Troutman, Ashley Ann
Tsai, Lorna
Tuman, Naomi Carol
Turow, Andrew Hayden
Tyler, Tamsin Elizabeth
Umlah, Richard James
Vallabh, Neel
Vallera, Jeffrey Robert
Venkatesh, Mohini
Webber, Jeffrey Robin
Wen, Eugene Shanyow
Whelan, Karen Ann
Yee, Melissa Yingling
Yurko, Andrew Joseph
Zanotti-Cavazzoni, Bruno
Zuena, Erin Elizabeth

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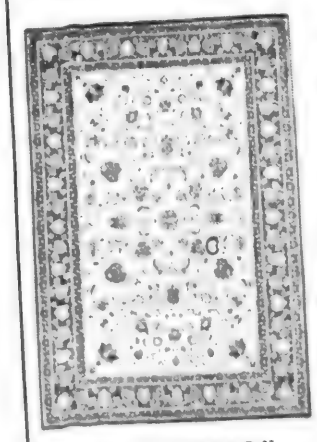

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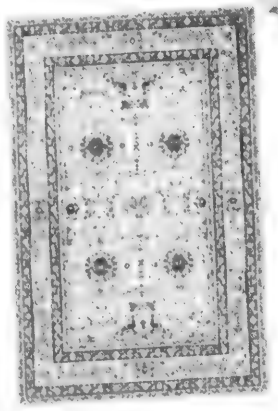

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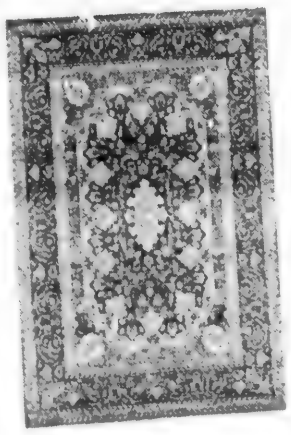

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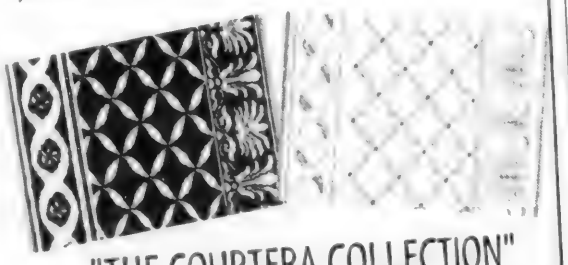

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WHAT'S UP

Shake up vacation week with Mid-Winter Madness Trips

By Suzie Clarke
Andover Youth Services

February Vacation starts when school lets out tomorrow, Friday — are you ready? Don't spend another week lodged between the cushions on your couch or staring at the designs on your ceiling. Get outside with the Andover Youth Services Mid-Winter Madness Trips next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Loon Mountain and Mt. Snow

We will ride the slopes of the fabulous Loon Mountain on Tuesday, Feb. 20; and Thursday, Feb. 22, we will visit Mt. Snow in Vermont. We will ride in style aboard a coach bus to both of these extraordinary mountains; the cost for the Loon trip is $50 (without rentals), $70 with ski rentals and $76 with board rentals. The cost for the Mt. Snow trip is $55, or $77 with rentals (skis or board.)

Girls Intro to Boarding

The Wednesday, Feb. 21 trip is designed specifically for those girls who have always wanted to learn how to ride but have yet to hit the slopes. We will travel to Wachusett Mountain in the black AYS van and have a one-day learn-to-ride clinic. You can come on this trip if you've never snowboarded, if you've learned to ride but you just want some tips to rip it up some more, or if you're already tearing up the slopes and you just wanna come and ride with AYS.

The cost for this trip is $45, or $71 with a snowboard rental.

Register for these awesome trips at the DCS office in the town offices building on Bartlet Street, Monday through Friday, 8:30 to 4:30. Don't be left out in the cold! These trips are filling up fast, so hurry and register. And don't forget to check us out at <andoveryouthservices.com>.

▶ *For more information about WHAT'S UP, call Bill Fahey, Andover Youth Services director, or Glenn Wilson, assistant director, at 623-8241; or Jack Grady, Townsman assistant editor, at 475-7000. E-mail submissions to: jack@andovertownsman.com*

Short Stirrup Hunter Champion

Danielle Johnson

The Massachusetts Horsemen's Council recently presented Danielle Johnson and her pony Susie Q with ribbons for Short Stirrup Hunter Champion and Short Stirrup Equitation Reserve Champion. The MHC annually awards riders and their horses who have accumulated the most points statewide during the year in their respective divisions. Danielle was the year-end Short Stirrup Hunter Reserve Champion of the North Shore Horsemen's Association, receiving a ribbon and trophy at the Jan. 13 awards banquet. Danielle and Susie also won the year-end Short Stirrup Hunter Champion award of the 2000 Cornerstone Farm Horseshow series. Danielle is a fifth-grader at West Elementary School. Susie is a 7-year-old mare who lives at Evenstride Farm in Byfield.

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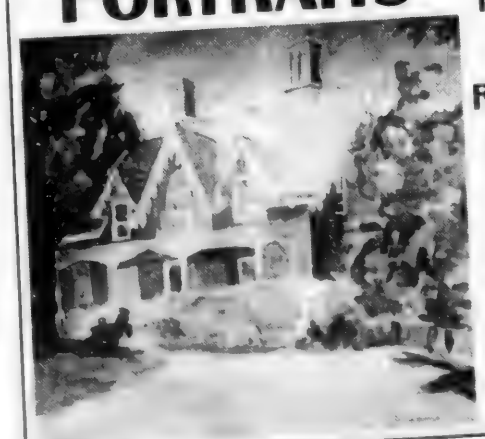

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Blinn, Rebecca Anne
Brewer, Samuel Middleton
Brouillard, Christopher Daniel
Browne, Eleanor Carol
Camilo, Natasha Rose
Carlson, Tristina Strauch
Chan, Priscilla Tien Hui
Chang, Karen Tsaiwey
Charron, Rachel Beth
Costello, Christopher Crane
Culver, Nicholas Bloomfield
Davidson, Kimberly Ann
Domigan, Courtney Kay
Douvadjian, Erica Lynn
Durant, Amy Lynn
Edelstein, Adam Stuart
Espy, Laura Carlin
Fortier, Allyson Theresa
Foy, Jeffrey E
Galebach, Adele T
Gilbert, Bert James
Givens, Bethany Jane
Goldstein, Laura Julia
Gordon, Rachel Meredith
Gregory, Oliver George
Griswold, Sarah Elyse
Gustin, Katharine Rose
Harrold, Robin Lindsay
Hass, Rebecca Labrie
Hough, Geraldine Mary
Huang, Fei
Huntley, Danielle Elise
Johnson Jr., John Andrew
Jun, Pauline
Kalaw, Michelle Lee
Keough, Matthew Thomas
Kichorowsky, Anna Leontine
Larsen, Luke Frederick
Lentz, Daniel Robert
Lewis, George Kenith
Li, Yiling
Lieberman, Troy Kilman
Lindsay, Christine Anne
Liversidge, Kezia Craig
Martin, Philip Howard
Marvin, Julianne
Maxey, Peter Reza
McLaughlin, Kelly Ann
Meagher, Jeffrey Stephen
Meehan, Caitlin Ann
Milley, Jessica MacKenzie
Moffitt, Kristen Lynn
Momplaisir, Jeffrey
Murphy, Caitlin Patricia
Newman, Catherine Elizabeth
Nitzberg, Matthew Aaron
O'Connell, Laura Ann
O'Malley, Kaitlin Elizabeth
Penny, Meghan Elizabeth
Perkins, Elliot Howard
Pinksten, Megan Mary
Purcell, Carolyn Rachel
Putnam, Todd Adams
Ronan, Timothy Joseph
Rusckowski, Lauren Marie
Salois, Meaghan Kelly
Schardin, Pamela Elizabeth
Segal, Jenna Patrice
Shue, Sharon S
Sweeney, Shannon Rose
Tang, Amy Yuen-Lee
Teperow, Susan Brooke
Tsai, Gina Jeng
Tseng, Beverly Hwa-Yu
Tylus, Lisa Marie
Urbelis, Jessica Holly
Varley, Andrew William
Vining, Diana Olivia
Voorhees, Andrew Patrick
Wang, John Yang
Wetterskog, Amy Christina
White, Meredith Megan
Yang, Frank Zhengfon
Yeh, Li-Chun
Yet, Elysia
Zhang, Hugh Xiaotang

Honors

Ahmed, Natasha
Anciello, Leah Marie
Anestis, Vasiliki K
Arcidy, Lauren Catherine
Baron, Mariah Delarm
Bateson, Erin Rachel
Becker, Lauren Adina
Bengston, Matthew Paul
Boshar, Katharine Anne
Boucher, Holly Clare
Bowen, Jonathan R
Broomfield, Erica Lynn
Brown, Bruce Daniel
Brown, Gregory William
Brown, Sally Jeanne
Bularzik, Matthew John
Burbank, Peter Nelson
Burke, Jessica Marie
Callanen, Suzanne Michelle
Campbell, Erin Michelle
Carlson, Eric Robert
Chalek, Aaron Michael
Chen, Gary H
Chen, William Wei-Jen
Chomicz, David Michael
Chung, Daniel
Cohen, Hilary Beth
Collins, Ashley Elizabeth
Connors, David Michael
Conrad, Sherri Lynne
Crabb, Jason John
Crocker, Justin Richard
Cuneo, Megan Elizabeth
Desjardins, Joshua Michael
Dexter, Allison Lee
Deyermond, Kelly Eileen
Doherty, Kathryn King
Donohue, Michael Patrick
Doucette, Travis William
Dudek, Keith Michael
Durkin, Lindsey Leigh
Elsmore, Kristin Nicole
Eskin, Jack Alexander
Finger, Erica Michelle
Flemming, Jennifer Lauren
Galluzzo, Amy Elizabeth
Garcia-Valdecasas, Belen M
Gatti, Alexandra Elizabeth
Gil, Patricia
Giordano, Eric Neale
Goldman, Zachary Ethan
Gonzalez, Natasha Lee
Gostanian, Alexander Robert
Green, Jennifer Maragaret
Greenspan, Evan
Gregory, Alice Concordia
Hanlon, Christopher Mark
Haugh, Kaitlin Patricia
Hoffmann, Christopher Adam
Horovitz, Erez Cheim
Huggins, Matthew James
Hyde, Kaitlin Marie
Hyslep, Scott Ian
Iuliucci, Louis Dominic
Jennings, Aurora Grace
Ji, Yu
Johnson, R. Douglas
Johnston, Alexandra Leigh
Johnston, Matthew David
Judell-Halfpenny, Andrew
Kearney, Angelina Margaret
Kelling, Eric Michael
Keough, Karen Lynn
Klarman, Molly Brewer
Kleinman, Michael Scott
Kolchinsky, Joseph Mark
Kramer, Kathleen Elizabeth
Kuipers, Christiana Rebekah
Lakow, Robert Evan
Lam, Paul Chung
Lane, Thomas Charles
Leider, Justin David
Leonard, Kristen Leigh
Leung, Jonathan Hiuming
Lievenbruck, Heather Michelle
Longo, Matthew Stephen
Loring, Peter Krey
Macomber, Ryan Matthew
Mager, Gillian Marie
Mancinelli, Matthew Brian
Manners, Andrea Rose
Marchlik, Scott Robert
Marlorana, David Christian
Massihzadegan, Bahaar S.
McCarthy, Kirsty Jenkins
McGrath, David Allen
Miller, Elizabeth Ann
Miller, Heather Lee
Misawa, Eisuke
Moffitt, Joan Alexandra
Momplaisir, Edwight
Monarca, Jessica Anne
Morrissey, Michael Peterson
Mossack, Michael Konrad
Muller, Edith May
Munro, Loren Ashley
Murphy, Katharine Lynn
Narasimhan, Kaushik
Neal, Jessica Leigh
Neri, Mairen Elizabeth
Newell, Diana Carolyn
Nguyen, Namphuong
O'Neill, Nicholas Brian
O'Reilly, Mark James
Ong, Andrew Yang-Hua
Osorio, Veronica Patricia
Patel, Shonak
Pelletier, Kaitlin Valerie
Putrezeanu, Raluca Elena
Randall, Kiley Rebecca
Rawlinson, Meredith Wilmot
Reilly, Mary Margaret
Riemer, Molly Ryan
Rocker, John
Rodger, Adam Steele
Rogers, Laura Ann
Rotsart, Angelica Mae
Rubenstein, Caitlin Jane
Rubin, Daniel Aaron
Sanford, Nathan David
Sannella, Crystal Lynne
Sawyer, C. Joanna
Sharis, Nicholas Joseph
Shin, Naomi
Shipula, Alicia Elizabeth
Shoemaker, Matthew Martin
Shulik, William Gordon
Sibulesky, Daniel
Sico, Timothy Joseph
Singh, Sunita Durga
Smilowitz, Stuart Joseph
Spang, Kara Marie
Stockwood, Patrick Gordon
Stone, Stephen Ray
Strong, Stephen Richard
Ternullo, Jillian Suzanne
Thomson, Michael D
Thorpe, Jessica Lynn
Tsai, Natalia Wei-Chen
Vaccaro, Nicholas Arthur
Vanderheiden, Christine Beth
Vispoli, Colleen Ann
Waisnor, Matthew Edward
Walker, Brian Gordon
Weisner, Michael Scott
Wheeler, Kimberly Anne
Withington, Matthew Michael
Wong, Patricia A
Xu, Jin-Chang
Yoshida, Keiko Lauren

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Bagnall, Matthew Lee
Bates, Crystal Anne
Begley, Jeffrey Michael
Berberian, Carolyn Ann
Birrell, Brittany Suzanne
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Bourque, Alicia Marie
Bradley, Meghan Kathleen
Brown, Nicole Marie
Carpentier, Melissa Catherine
Chan, Julie Marie
Charlebois, Meghan Elizabeth
Crawford, Demorie Ann
Crawford, Dianna Catherine
Davidovits, Terence
Day, Cameron Duncan
Eghbalian, Monika Zahra
Faulk, Ashley Brooke
Fink, Rebecca Drummond
Fox, Shannon Elizabeth
Gatti, Julia R
Grosser, Gabriela Rachel
Haak, Andrew Sutherland
Hakam, Laila
Hamer, Caitlin Elaine
Hastings, Alia Vasconcellos
Hender, Taylor James
Holber, Thomas Eliot
Hornung, Jenicka Michelle
Hsu, David
Huang, Henry
Huang, Tom He
Johnson, Stephen George
Kapoor, Priti
Kedia, Mihir K
Konjoian, Bristol Elizabeth
Levine, Eric Michael
Magner, Elizabeth Margaret
Malhotra, Rohit
Orlando, Kathryn Elizabeth
Ortiz, Monica Elise
Palmieri, Amy Ruth
Parsons, Eileen Lenore
Rillahan, Cory Daniel
Ristuccia, John M
Saunders, Lindsey Blair
Shockley, Angela J
Singelais, Jamie Katherine
Sweeney, Megan Marie
Szafarz, Jesse Ova
Tang, Cynthia Wee Lee
Toland, Meghan Ruth
Torre, Brooke Allison
Tran, Duy Duc
Vasilakis, Deanna Cynthia
Veidins, Katrina Olga
Wang, Paul
Wang, Phillip Justin

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Affleck, Kellen Rachel
Ahern, Andrew William
Aleksa, David Walter
Alexander, Jaclyn Teresa
Araujo, Kristina Laura
Ashton, Heather Lee
Auchterlonie, Stefanie
Avila, Michael Paul
Bausemer, Jennifer Lynn
Berger, Meryl Leigh
Berlinghieri, Valerie Irene
Bernstein, Sheri Beth
Bisono, James
Bogdanova, Anna A
Booth, Daniel Steve
Brahma, Rana Bir
Brouillard, Elyse Marie
Brown, Connie Marie
Buchholz, Amanda Joanne
Calderhead, Sean Mansfield
Callahan, Aislinn Rose
Campbell, Lea Megan
Carroll, Brett Joseph
Carroll, Jason Leon
Casper, Stephanie Ruth
Chao, Glenda Ellen
Cherny, Justin Joshua
Cline, Alexander Samuel
Cohen, Jeremy David
Cohen, Laura Dayle
Collins, Jacquelyn Mclean
Crawford, Kelly Anne
Cummings, Christopher
Daniel, Andrea Brigit
Dargan, Kerrie Ann
Denison, Laura Ann
Dennis, Rebecca Lee
Dolan, Patrick William
Dominguez, Alexis Leonardo
Donahue, Kristen Diane
Eckel, Brent Mathew
English, Williams Eidson
Fielding, David Michael
Figueredo, Chanel Dominique
Fine, Jessica Lynne
Fiorentino, Christy Lee
Fish, Meredith Lindsey
Fitzgerald, Lauren Hayes
Floreen, Ashley Hanson
Geary, Caitlin Margaret
Gentile, Emily Priscilla
Gerry, Sarah Nicole
Gerstein, Steven Phillip
Ginsberg, Robert David
Guillet, James Edward
Hagopian, Lisa Lucin
Hale, Courtney Jocelyn
Hanna, Alexander Marcus
Hanson, Corinne Elaine
Harlow, Lauren
Hartwell, Gregory Martin
Hitchins, Jessica Lynne
Ho, Justin
Hodges, Helen Mary
Hsu, Jessica Elizabeth
Iannelli, Lisa Marie
Jaeger, Tonia Lee
Jaffe, Daniel Abraham
Kaplan, David Scott
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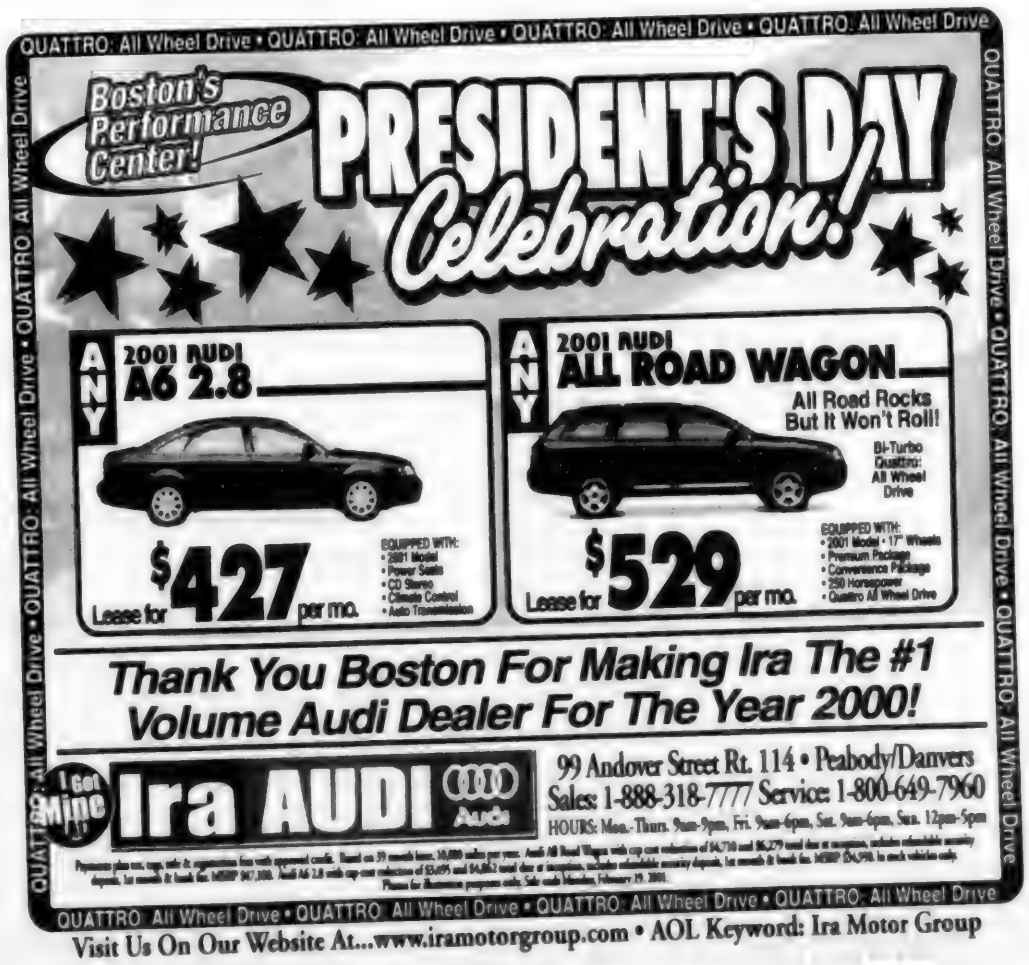

News

Project proposed for Dale Street land near the Ballardvale train station

Ballardvale land back again for affordable housing

By Adam Groff

Sometime before April, Andover resident and developer Willard "Bill" Perkins of Hearthstone Realty Corp. expects to go before the Zoning Board of Appeals with his comprehensive permit application to build 72 townhouses on Dale Street next to the Ballardvale train station. Ballardvale Crossing, as the development is called, represents the third comprehensive permit applied for in Andover in a year, following Avalon-Bay Communities' 152-unit apartment proposal on River Road and Joseph Zagarella's 16-unit townhouse proposal on Lowell Street.

Comprehensive permits, under the state's Chapter 40B "anti-snob" zoning law, allows developers to override local zoning restrictions in exchange for making 20 to 25 percent of the development affordable to low- or moderate-income residents. Accordingly, Perkins plans for 18 of his units to sell for between $110,000 and $125,000 to qualifying applicants, while he expects the market-rate units to start at around $290,000.

Perkins says he has scaled back his original plans for the 5.7-acre site at 12 and 18 Dale St. following discussions with the town and neighborhood residents. Originally, he planned for 88 apartment units and a 20,000 square-foot office building. He says he is pleased with the current plan for eight Colonial-style buildings.

"I want to stress that there is a need for both (rental and townhouse units) in Andover," said Perkins. "Hopefully you get people moving in who are going to stay for a while and raise their families, as well as empty-nesters and people who want to downsize."

Perkins, a 20-year resident of Andover, says he has a genuine interest in the affordable housing issue. A one-time member of the board of directors of Andover Community Trust, Perkins was instrumental in conveying the property at 110 Haverhill St. that he once owned to ACT for its first "permanently affordable" house, currently under construction.

"I think I've proved in the past that I'm a real housing advocate," he said. "(Ballardvale Crossing) is supposed to be low- to middle-income rather than low to high. You try to fill the market need – that's the best service a developer can provide. I think the benefits of this project go beyond the 25 percent that are 'affordable.' We have enough millionaires in Andover building mansions."

Perkins says he has met with the Ballardvale Neighborhood Improvement Plan, and he expects to meet with the Andover Housing Partnership, a recently reconstituted body that seeks to provide a forum where developers and residents can discuss development proposals outside the legalistic setting of zoning board hearings.

Christian Huntress of Tewksbury Road says he has a number of issues surrounding the proposal that he would like to see Perkins address, including the fate of an old brick mill building on the site along Dale Street, environmental cleanup of the site, and the aesthetics of the project.

"I've got other concerns that surround traffic through the area," said

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Photo by Tim Jean

Part of the proposed site off Dale Street.

Town manager seeks annual budget topping $101 million

By Rebecca Piro

Careful planning and conservative budgeting have put Andover in a good financial position for the upcoming years, says Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski. But Selectmen Chairman Brian Major warns that if the town is not careful with its fiscal year 2002 budget – specifically in terms of saving funds to open the new schools, and to pay for special education throughout the entire system – the town could be in serious trouble.

For fiscal year 2002, Stapczynski's recommended budget hits $101,897,641, topping last year's budget by almost $5 million, or five percent.

Money set aside to cover the new schools' operating budget and the special education costs are the top two budgetary priorities for the next fiscal year, says Major.

Both he and Stapczynski agree that $600,000 of next year's tax money should go into a stabilization fund, a fund for use in times of emergency. In this case, that $600,000 will join an already accrued $832,412 to add up to $1.4 million – the amount it will take to open the new schools in September of 2002.

"It's very healthy to build up a savings account," says Major. "That $600,000 is sacred money. It would be financially irresponsible to chip that away."

By tucking away the $600,000 into the stabilization fund this year, the town will make it easier to deal with the growing financial demands next year, when the operating budget increases – as most budgets do every year. "We're saving capacity to help ourselves out with the financial situation next year," Major says.

Brian Major: "Let's be realistic with the numbers."

Also crucial to the schools' budget is the money set aside for special-education costs. Last fiscal year, the town under-budgeted special education by $800,000, and Major does not want to make that same mistake again.

For last fiscal year's budget, Stapczynski set aside $2.3 million for special education costs. Actual costs amounted to $3.1 million, $800,000 more than anticipated, says Major. This year, Stapczynski set aside only $2.6 million for fiscal year 2002.

"That's half a million under what our costs were this year," says Major. "Let's be realistic with the numbers and not try to spend the money elsewhere, and then all of a sudden we get stuck later. I don't see us having any kind of a relief from our expenses this year and last year."

The School Committee will vote this Tuesday on the superintendent's budget, which requests $42,554,797, an 8.9 percent increase from last year. Stapczynski's budget allots only $41,479,566 for the schools.

"If the town manager's budget did pass instead of what we are proposing, we would not be able to continue the programs we have, let alone add new ones," says Superintendent Claudia Bach. "Class sizes would get larger, and we would have no new teachers."

But there is some good news in his budget, says Stapczynski. Besides the $600,000 in taxes that he wants to set aside in the stabilization fund, the budget is $350,000 below the levy capacity.

Buzz Stapczynski: Suggests five-percent bump.

"We have $350,000 in excess levy capacity that we're not tapping," Stapczynski says.

If the selectmen, School Committee and Finance Committee agree that they would rather tax residents more and include more budget items – such as more salaried positions, or extra money for special education costs – officials can collect more taxes, says Major.

The town has also enjoyed increased property taxes from new growth, as well as additional revenues collected from the 1,200 hotel rooms in the River Road area alone, Stapczynski says.

Less of the budget is spent on water and sewer for fiscal year 2002, says Stapczynski. The biggest reason for that reduction is the purchase and ongoing installation of new meters for homes in town. Last year, the town spent hundreds of thousands of dollars for those meters. While the town will spend more in the future as the meter replacement progresses, it does not need to spend any on the project this year.

In total, Stapczynski's budget adds 10.2 full-time equivalent positions to the town's payroll, which is about 7.5 fewer than department heads requested.

"Not every department got everything they wanted," says Stapczynski. "The departments that proved to me that they had the need and could justify the additional expense were recommended here."

With budget here, committees listen to communication coach

By Rebecca Piro

Budget talks can involve lots of give and take, and this year promises to be no different, says Selectmen Chairman Brian Major. During the next several weeks, department heads, selectmen, School Committee members and the town manager will sit down to hammer out a budget that makes everyone happy – or satisfied, at the very least.

"Our hope is that we'll be able to work in cooperation with one another and that we all feel very good about the budget that's being presented to Town Meeting," says Major.

Budget negotiations are not easy, says Major. However, town officials are taking steps to improve the budget discussions during the next eight to 10 weeks. For the first time ever, selectmen and the Finance Committee will sit down together for a series of joint meetings to discuss Stapczynski's proposed budget. Having both boards present at such future meetings will prod the members to ask previously unthought-of questions, as a true round-table discussion.

"I'm very excited about it, and so isn't (Finance Committee Chairwoman Joanne Marden)," says Major. "It has a lot of potential positives, with us asking questions all together."

Department heads and elected officials are also working to strengthen their communication skills. Members of the School Committee, Board of Selectmen, police, fire and other departments recently devoted four full days to a negotiations class taught pro-bono by Andover resident and Suffolk University professor Magid Mazen.

"What (Mazen) has been teaching us is terminology and a way to look at negotiating," said Stapczynski at one of the class sessions last week.

Mazen taught those in attendance about different negotiating techniques, especially working to negotiate rather than compromise on important issues. He encouraged people to listen to each other's arguments and to be "open to persuasion."

"You don't just use it for budget discussions, you use it all the time," said School Committee member Tina Girdwood, one of about 18 people in attendance. "If we all commit to it, I think we'll see some results."

School Superintendent Claudia Bach agreed. "We are in teacher negotiations right now. (This class) will help to increase open and honest communication, and arrive at better results for the children and the whole town."

Dale Street

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Huntress, a member of the Ballardvale Traffic Task Force. "One of the things that we've asked Bill to address is what can we do about where Dale Street and Andover Street intersect."

Huntress did not want to speak on behalf of his neighbors, but he said, "I'm sure there are those in the neighborhood who will come out in opposition as the process goes along."

"Anybody who wants to talk to me, I'll talk to," said Perkins. "I really do believe in this project. It's going to give a lot of foot traffic to the local stores.

"I drive by there all the time, and I would love to see kids playing there in a new playground, and I would love to work with (residents) to do that. I don't want this to turn into an adversarial situation. (The Chapter 40B law) was not intended to be used as a hammer, and I'm trying to follow the spirit of that."

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School dropout rate

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slot. Nominations closed Tuesday, Feb. 6 without another person even inquiring about the job.

"I would like to believe that's because people feel the current School Committee has been doing a good job," says School Superintendent Claudia Bach. "They've been responsive, sensitive and open to public input."

That lack of competition at the polls does not reflect a general lack of interest within the community, Bach adds. Hundreds of parents serve on parent-teacher organizations, attend school sporting events, and work for school improvement councils. Between 30 and 40 parents drive to town offices weekly for redistricting meetings, to determine which students will go to the new schools. "That is the biggest show in town," Bach says.

Collins, who taught for years as a social studies teacher in the Andover school system, agrees. "I've dealt with all kinds of parents over the years," he says. "There's a tremendous amount of people that really care."

Collins doesn't mind a bit that no one will challenge him. "I'm delighted," he says. "I've spent virtually my entire life in the Andover school system... and I'm still going strong."

Like Bach, Collins prefers to think that the general quiet acceptance of his and Girdwood's continuing reign is the result of the town's satisfaction. "I'd like to think that it's a sign of support for Tina and I," he says. "I think it would be a big mistake to assume that the people of Andover don't care."

But resident Bill Pennington – who thought seriously about running for School Committee last year – says he doesn't see things changing anytime soon. "It's a sad state of affairs," Pennington says. "I don't even see any potential candidates. I don't see anyone running next year, or the year after."

Committee member Skip Eccles has to agree. "I know that last year, when Gerry Gustus was elected and I ran, we were not opposed. The year before, Eric Nadworny was not opposed."

Pennington decided against running because he chose to spend his time with his third- and fifth-grade daughters, rather than at School Committee meetings two to three times per week. Choosing whether to run is a tough decision for many parents, he says, because of the time commitment.

"If you have a very involved parent who is interested in running, they have to make a choice between their family and the time it takes to run for School Committee," he says. "You can't do both." As a result, School Committee members often are people who no longer have children in the Andover schools. Girdwood, Collins and Eccles are parents of adult children. Yet the issues School Committee members deal with, such as redistricting, often cause them to come under fire from parents.

"It takes a special kind of person to run for School Committee, because the issues (that members deal with) are very personal to many people," Pennington says. "You have to have a very thick skin, and those people are very rare."

Even if a person decides to make the time and labor commitment, that person has to run, and win, a School Committee slot over incumbents with town-wide recognition, says Pennington.

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>
> **— Bill Pennington**

"Dick Collins is basically a legend in town, and Tina would be very hard to beat because she's done such a good job," he says.

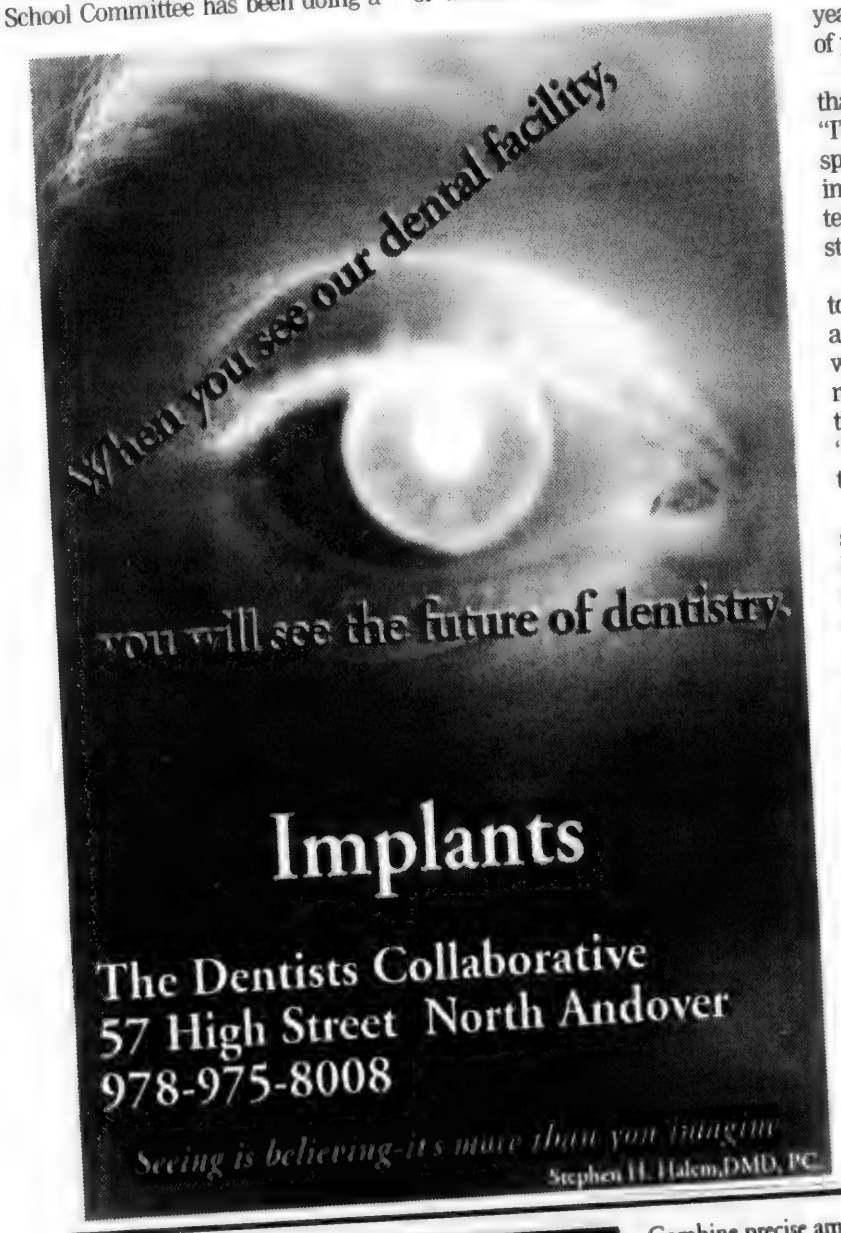
"I feel as though I am valuable to the group at this point, because I have been involved with the School Committee as it currently exists, and the schools building project," says Girdwood. "I'd like to stay on, but I would always welcome the other people to run."

But if other people did run and one won a spot on the committee, then that person – assuming he or she thought differently than the current four committee members, who often vote alike – would face the prospect of always being the minority in a vote.

"What can you accomplish with it being four to one?" asks Pennington.

Bach, who is still new herself to the Andover school system, isn't worried about a shortage of new committee members. Last year's addition of Gerry Gustus, who is currently in the middle of his first three-year term, was a breath of fresh air to the School Committee, she says.

"We have had some new blood coming in. I always welcome new blood, and I am grateful when people want to continue to serve," Bach says. "I'll look forward to (new candidates) when the time comes, but in the meantime I feel that we are blessed to have a wonderful School Committee."



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Thibault says goodbye to society

Well-wishers made it possible for Historical Society Executive Director Barbara Thibault to present a $6,500 check to her fellow members last Thursday, Feb. 8 at a party held in her honor.

About 135 people flocked to the Amos Blanchard House on Main Street last Thursday night for Thibault's going-away party to thank her for 15 years of service at the Society.

Thibault, who spearheaded several projects such as the restoration of the Blanchard House, requested that people make donations to the society in lieu of personal gifts. The $6,500 Thibault presented to members will help fund the Andover on the Move project, says Society Vice President Norma Gammon. That project includes the assembling of a historical blacksmith and weaving shop, landscaping the backyard of the Blanchard House and building more storage space and a larger kitchen.

State Sen. Sue Tucker and Rep. Barry Finegold spoke in Thibault's honor, along with Town Moderator Jim Doherty, Selectmen Chairman Brian Major, and eight of the nine former society presidents from Thibault's experience. Thibault's son and daughter also attended Thursday evening's party.

"We just had a wonderful time reminiscing with everyone," Gammon says.

Thibault's last day is scheduled for March 1. Between now and then, Gammon says that the society hopes to secure a replacement for Thibault.

Photo by Tim Jean

Gratia Mahony and Barbara Thibault talk at Thibault's going-away party.

Police catch man on the lam

After eluding police for almost two months, Andover resident John Shaughnessy was arrested by Lt. Kevin Winters last Thursday, Feb. 8.

Shaughnessy, 24, of 14 Osgood St., fled from police Tuesday, Dec. 19 when he was pulled over on Greybirch Road and Officer Peter Reming tried to arrest him for his third offense of driving with a suspended license.

Police called in a state canine unit to search for Shaughnessy in the wooded neighborhood where he had been pulled over. But even with the help of a state police helicopter, which happened to be in the area, Shaughnessy was not apprehended.

In the weeks following, police tried unsuccessfully several times to locate Shaughnessy at his home residence.

Winters finally arrested Shaughnessy Thursday evening, and charged him on three separate warrants: a warrant out of Newburyport District Court for a license suspension; a warrant out of Lawrence District Court for several motor vehicle violations; and another out of Lawrence District Court for a subsequent offense of driving with a suspended license, failing to stop for a police officer, driving with a number plate violation, carrying a dangerous weapon (spiked rings) and resisting arrest.

Shaughnessy was arraigned Friday, Feb. 9 at Lawrence District Court. He will return to court for a pretrial hearing on Thursday, Feb. 22.

— Rebecca Piro

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, Feb. 7 – At 9:40 a.m., Jose Luis Nieves, 26, of 29 Ash St., Lowell, was arrested and charged with a subsequent offense of driving after his license had been revoked, and driving with defective equipment.

Thursday, Feb. 8 – At 2:43 p.m., Nelson Rodriguez, 25, of 19 Brook St., Lawrence, was arrested and charged with driving without a license, speeding and giving a false name to a police officer.

At 8:36 p.m., a 13-year-old male from Andover was arrested and charged with shoplifting, carrying a dangerous weapon and resisting arrest.

At 10:01 p.m., John Shaughnessy, 24, of 14 Osgood St., was arrested and charged on three separate warrants.

Friday, Feb. 9 – At 7:17 a.m., Cesar Urena, 42, of 61 Mystic St., Methuen, was arrested and charged on a warrant for threatening to commit a crime.

At 9:05 a.m., Kristin Haskell, 33, of 105 Bradley Ave., Haverhill, was arrested and charged on a warrant for failing to appear at Haverhill District Court.

At 12:37 p.m., Mark Cummings, 39, of 41 Exeter St., Lowell, was arrested and charged with driving without a license and license plates.

At 6:40 p.m., Mark Hutchins, 44, of 157 North Main St., was arrested and charged with assault and battery with a dangerous weapon (pipe).

Monday, Feb. 12 – At 2:57 p.m., Jose Cepeda, 26, of 315 Willow St., Lawrence, and Juan Ramos, 28, of 239 Central St., Manchester, N.H., were arrested and charged with distributing a Class A substance, distributing a Class B substance, conspiring to violate a controlled substance and resisting arrest.

At 6:47 p.m., Ruben Aviles, 17, of 3 Memorial Circle, was arrested and charged as a minor carrying alcohol.

Tuesday, Feb. 13 – At 3:05 p.m., Kevin McCullough, 53, of 57 Boylston Lane, Lowell, was arrested and charged with driving after his license had been revoked for drunk driving.

At 8:54 p.m., William Dunn, 49, of 26 Sunset Rock Road, was arrested and charged with driving after his right to drive was suspended, driving defective equipment and violating the seat-belt law.

At 11:14 p.m., Mona Saintil, 27, of 47 Coolidge Road, Allston, was arrested and charged with driving after her right to drive was suspended, speeding and resisting arrest.

INCIDENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 7 – At 10:38 p.m., an Elm Court resident reported that she had a live possum in her trash barrel. The animal control officer reported that the possum was "just taking a nap," and no service was needed.

At 5:37 p.m., a Brady Loop resident reported a missing cell phone.

Thursday, Feb. 8 – At 2:50 p.m., a Longwood Drive resident reported that he was missing two CD cases.

At 4:19 p.m., a High Plain Road female reported that she had witnessed a person dump an old Christmas tree at the intersection of her road and Cross Street.

Friday, Feb. 9 – At 12:52 p.m., the fire department reported that the Greater Lawrence Technical School had received a bomb threat. A caller had told people at the school that a bomb was in the basement. An officer reported that the administration felt it was a prank, and the building was not evacuated. After a complete search of the building, police found nothing.

Saturday, Feb. 10 – At 11:32 a.m., a Phillips Academy security officer reported that a raccoon was on the Pease House porch. The animal control officer scared it away and said it was just sunbathing.

At 2:52 p.m., a Princeton Avenue resident reported that the sewer was backing up into his basement.

Sunday, Feb. 11 – At 2:34 p.m., a female resident reported that her son had possibly

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Buckle up your kids

Andover police are partnering with the Governor's Highway Safety Bureau (GHSB) in an effort to observe National Child Passenger Safety Week this week, Feb. 11 to 17.

"Our activities during this week will assist adults to provide a safer ride for children. We want all drivers to know that the Child Passenger Safety Law requires that all children 12 and under riding in a motor vehicle be properly restrained in a child safety seat, booster seat, or safety belt," said Andover Chief Brian Pattullo. "Drivers need to remember that the Massachusetts Safety Belt Law requires every adult riding in a vehicle to be buckled up as well."

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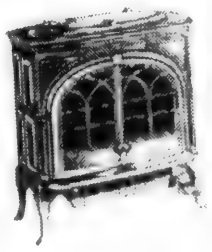

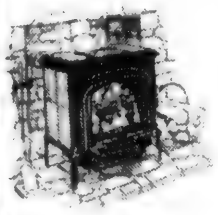

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taken a handful of Tylenol. An ambulance responded to the scene and an officer was to file on the incident.

Monday, Feb. 12 – At 6:50 p.m., a North Street resident reported a possible rabid raccoon outside of his house. A responding officer "put the animal down" and left a note for the animal control officer to pick it up.

At 7:55 p.m., an officer reported finding a stolen pocketbook in the parking lot of the Wyndham Hotel.

Tuesday, Feb. 13 – At 11:16 a.m., an employee at Woodworth Motors reported that a female was walking in the middle of the road. A responding officer reported that the woman was running in and out of traffic. The officer arranged for an ambulance to take the woman to a hospital.

At 10:37 p.m., a custodian from Greater Lawrence Technical School reported that a security guard from the school had been flagged down by a female in Lawrence. He opened the window to see what she wanted, and her boyfriend approached the vehicle and hit him over the head with a bottle. The couple left the area and the security guard had no idea who they were or where they went. An officer was to file, and police also referred the man to the Lawrence police department.

BREAKS

No breaks were reported this week.

THEFTS

Wednesday, Feb. 7 – At 7:49 a.m., a male reported that his laptop computer was missing from his locked office. There was no sign of forced entry into the office, and the door was locked when he discovered that the computer was missing, the caller said.

At 2:14 p.m., a male called to report that some tools were stolen from a work site on Minuteman Road.

Sunday, Feb. 11 – At 10:22 a.m., a male reported that his phone had been stolen from Andover High School on Friday night.

At 11:01 a.m., an employee from the Mobil station on Route 133 reported that a person in a black Jetta drove off from the station, heading towards Tewksbury, without paying for his gas. Police notified the Tewksbury officers.

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Wednesday, Feb. 7 – At 5:29 p.m., a male resident of Dale Street reported that cars were parking on the street in such a way that he could not get to his home. Police put warning tickets on some of the vehicles.

At 11:51 a.m., a deer was struck and killed on Route 125.

Monday, Feb. 12 – At 8 p.m., a male reported that his car, which he had parked at the Ramada Inn, had been stolen.

ACCIDENTS

Wednesday, Feb. 7 – At 3:25 p.m., two cars collided on Haverhill Street. An ambulance responded to inspect both parties, but no one was injured. One of the cars was towed from the scene.

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Arts & Entertainment

Surviving school vacation week....

Some tips on how to beat the "Mom, I'm bored" blues

By Judy Wakefield

So you attempted to book a trip two weeks ago so that the kids would have something to do during next week's school vacation. The travel agent laughed at your last-minute effort, you sighed, and then inquired about April vacation. That travel agent laughed again.

School vacation weeks are typically booked months in advance with airlines. Advance planning is a necessary evil to beat that age-old gripe: "Mom, I'm bored," heard at least five times a day by the under-prepared parent during school vacation week.

You promised yourself to get more organized by summer. But in the meantime, what about next week?

We've got a survival kit of sorts to help under-prepared parents. There are lots of events happening locally to keep kids of all ages busy for a few hours each day.

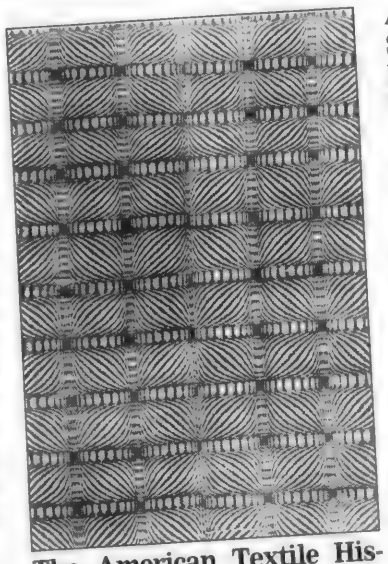
For example, the Department of Community Services is sponsoring basketball clinics every morning of school vacation week for elementary-school students. Call 623-8277 for more information. The American Textile Museum in Lowell is offering weaving classes for those ages 7 to 12. Ski Bradford may have some last-minute cancellations in its sold-out vacation snowboard camp, perfect for those antsy, skateboard-loving middle-schoolers. And the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College is offering a family discount on tickets when the Gizmo Guys perform this Saturday.

Here is a closer look at just some local events for kids happening during school vacation week:

Saturday, Feb. 17: The Gizmo Guys, nationally-known jugglers and showmen, perform their magic at 2 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Arts at Merrimack College. They are sure to entertain family members of all ages. Tickets are $12 at the door but a special family discount is being offered. Four tickets are $35. Call 837-5355.

Tuesday, Feb. 20: A vacation workshop for kids called "Fundamentals of Weaving" is happening from 9:30 to 11 a.m. at American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell. This is ideal for ages 7-12 and is free with a museum admission ($3 for kids). A snack is provided. Reservations are required by calling (978) 441-0400.

Wednesday, Feb. 21: Who doesn't love Ramona and all of her breathless third-grade adventures that are so cleverly depicted by Newbery Award-winning writer Beverly Cleary? Theatreworks/USA presents a stage version of *Ramona Quimby* at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at the Concord Youth Theatre, 40 Stow St., Concord. Tickets are $8.50 per person. This is for ages 4 and up. Call (978) 371-1482.



The American Textile History Museum exhibit "Textile Art from Southern Appalachia" includes *Double Bowknot or Blooming Leaf* (1880), by Fannie Halsey Gambill of North Carolina.

Or take the kids to celebrate Black History Month. There is a bus trip to the African Meeting House and the Abiel Smith School at the Boston African American National Historic Site on Feb. 21. The bus leaves Lowell National Historical Park, 67 Kirk St., Lowell at 9 a.m. The even is FREE, but reservations are required. Call (978) 970-5000.

Thursday, Feb. 22: American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell, comes through again with a scavenger hunt focused on its current exhibit, Textile Art from Southern Appalachia. This is also geared for kids, ages 7 to 12, and reservations are required. A snack is provided. This also comes free with a museum admission ($3 for kids). Reservations can be made by calling (978) 441-0400.

Or maybe comedy is a better idea for your brood. Check out a comedy show for kids, called "Laughing Matters." There are two shows, 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. at Concord Youth Theatre, 40 Stow St., Concord. This show features Peter Gould and Stephen Sterns, two madcap men from Vermont with rubber bodies, elastic faces, and incredible illusions, such as stairs and escalators. This is for ages 4 and up. Tickets are $8.50. Call (978) 371-1482.

At Phillips Academy, a new

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Orchestra concert featured at Phillips Academy

The Phillips Academy music department will present a concert featuring performances by the Phillips Academy Symphony Orchestra, the Academy Chamber Orchestra, the Amadeus Ensemble, and the Corelli Ensemble and feature five student soloists, all Andover residents.

This concert, free and open to the public, will take place Friday, Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. in Cochran Chapel on the Phillips Academy campus, 180 Main St. Cochran Chapel is handicapped accessible.

The program will include movements from Percy Grainger's *Mock Morris* and Vivaldi's *Concerto Grosso in D minor* performed by the Corelli Ensemble under the direction of faculty member Elizabeth Aureden. The Amadeus Ensemble, under the direction of faculty member Peter Warsaw, will perform a movement of a Mozart *Flute Concerto* featuring as soloist tenth-grader Jeffrey Wessler. Wessler is co-principal flute of the Academy Symphony Orchestra, a member of the Academy Concert Band, the Chamber Music Society and takes part in the community service program, Music for Life. The Amadeus Ensemble will also play a movement from a Henryk Wieniawski *Violin Concerto* featuring senior Andrew Baldwin, a member of the Academy Symphony and Chamber Orchestras. Baldwin has taken part in the Chamber Music Society.

Andrew Baldwin

Emerson Sykes

Melinda Hung

Melvin Huang

Also on the program is a movement from the Koussevitsky *Doublebass Concerto* performed by the Academy Chamber Orchestra with four-year senior Emerson Sykes as soloist. A pupil of music faculty member Quintan Hodges, Sykes is principal bassist of the Academy Chamber Orchestra, a member of the Academy Symphony, a member of the Academy Chamber Music Society and takes part in the community service Andover-Lawrence String Program. Sykes is also captain of the indoor and outdoor track teams, a member of the varsity soccer team and co-president of the Muslim Student Union.

The Academy Chamber Orchestra will also play a movement from the Walton *Viola Concerto* featuring four-year senior Melinda Hung as soloist. A recipient of the 1999 Phillips Academy Music Faculty Prize, Hung is co-principal of the Phillips Academy Symphony and Chamber Orchestras. A finalist in several local area concerto competitions, Hung has also attended the summer program at Boston University Tanglewood Institute in Lenox, Mass. There she was principal violist of the orchestra and had intensive chamber music study with the Muir Quartet. A concerto soloist with the Phillips Academy Amadeus Ensemble, she is co-head of the Andover-Lawrence String Program. Hung received special music department recognition in 2000 as an underclassman for her contribution to chamber music performance.

Pianist Melvin Huang, a three-year senior, will perform a movement from Prokofiev's *Piano Concerto No. 3*. A recipient of the 1999 Academy Music Faculty Prize, Huang is co-principal cellist of the Academy Symphony and Chamber Orchestras as well as the Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra.

He is co-president of the Academy Chamber Music Society and was the winner of the Greater Boston Youth Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition playing Robert Schumann's *Piano Concerto*. He also takes part in the Andover-Lawrence String Program community service project.

The Academy Symphony will perform movements from Aaron Copland's *Rodeo*.

Both the symphony and chamber orchestras are under the baton of William Thomas.

EVENTS CALENDAR

THURSDAY, FEB. 15

Andover Fly Fishers series, with Ed Lombardo on Inside the Great Outdoor Games 2000 and Fly Fishing for Trout, 7 p.m. free, Memorial Hall Library; Carolyn Fantini 475-4602.

Film series, "El Valley Centro," directed by James Benning, 2000, 7 p.m., free, Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy; 749-4015.

Book discussion, *Cold Mountain* by Charles Frazier, 7-8:30 p.m., Bentley Library Conference Area, Northern Essex Community College, Haverhill; Gail Stuart (978) 556-3421.

Andover High School Open House, 7 p.m.; Lois Karfunkel 475-7985.

Stroke support group meeting, sponsored by Easter Seals, 1:30 p.m., Senior Center, 36 Bartlet St.; Paul Chedekel 475-3298.

FRIDAY, FEB. 16

Live jazz, Phillips Academy Faculty Jazz Ensemble's tribute to Dave Brubeck, Erroll Garner, 7:30 p.m., free, Timken Room, Graves Hall, Phillips Academy; 749-4995, <music @andover.edu>.

Drum and Dance Circle, 7:30 p.m., free, bring your own drum, Unitarian Congregation, 6 Locke St.; Susan 470-1134.

Live comedy, Rocco and Rosie's wedding, 9 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Live comedy, Patty Ross, Chris Oake, Teresa Craggan, 9:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

SATURDAY, FEB. 17

Gizmo Guys show, 2 p.m., $10 advance, $12 door, family discount is $35 for four tickets, Rogers Center for the Performing Arts, Merrimack College; 837-5355.

Country music show, featuring Dottie Mae and the Country Echoes, 8 p.m., Giordano's Peppercorn Pub, Rte. 97, Georgetown; (978)352-7300.

Film, *Ghost stories of New England* combined with a horror maze walk at Dracula's Castle, 7:30 p.m., $6, $4 ages 8-14, 90 Lafayette Ave., Salem; Dan Tremblay (978) 777-2711.

Pops by the Numbers concert, 8 p.m., $16, $14 seniors, students, First Parish Church, 7 Harrington Road, Lexington; (781) 862-6459 <www.themastersingers.org>.

Omelet-thon benefit, for AIDS programs at Anna Jaques Hospital, 8 a.m.-3 p.m., $7.99, HOBO Cafe, 5A Broadway, Salisbury Beach; (978) 463-1176.

Live comedy, Patty Ross, Chris Oake, Teresa Craggan, 9:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

Live comedy, Nick Depaolo, Patti Ross, Stephanie Peter, 8, 10:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

SUNDAY, FEB. 18

Old radio flea market, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Westford Regency Inn, Rte. 110, Westford; Tammy DeGray (978)371-0512, <arc@antiqueradio .com>.

Opening reception, *HOME? Crosscurrents in Contemporary South Asian/American Art,* 2-4 p.m., Brush Art Gallery, 256 Market St., Lowell; (978)459-7819.

Scenes and Songs from Celestial City, 9:30, 11 a.m., Free Christian Church, 31 Elm St.; 475-0700, <www.freechristian .org>.

Omelet-thon benefit, *8 a.m.-2 p.m., see Feb. 17 entry.*

MONDAY, FEB. 19

President's Day holiday.

TUESDAY, FEB. 20

Vacation workshop for kids, Fundamentals of Weaving, ages 7-12, free with musuem admission, reservations required, American Textile History Museum, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; (978)441-

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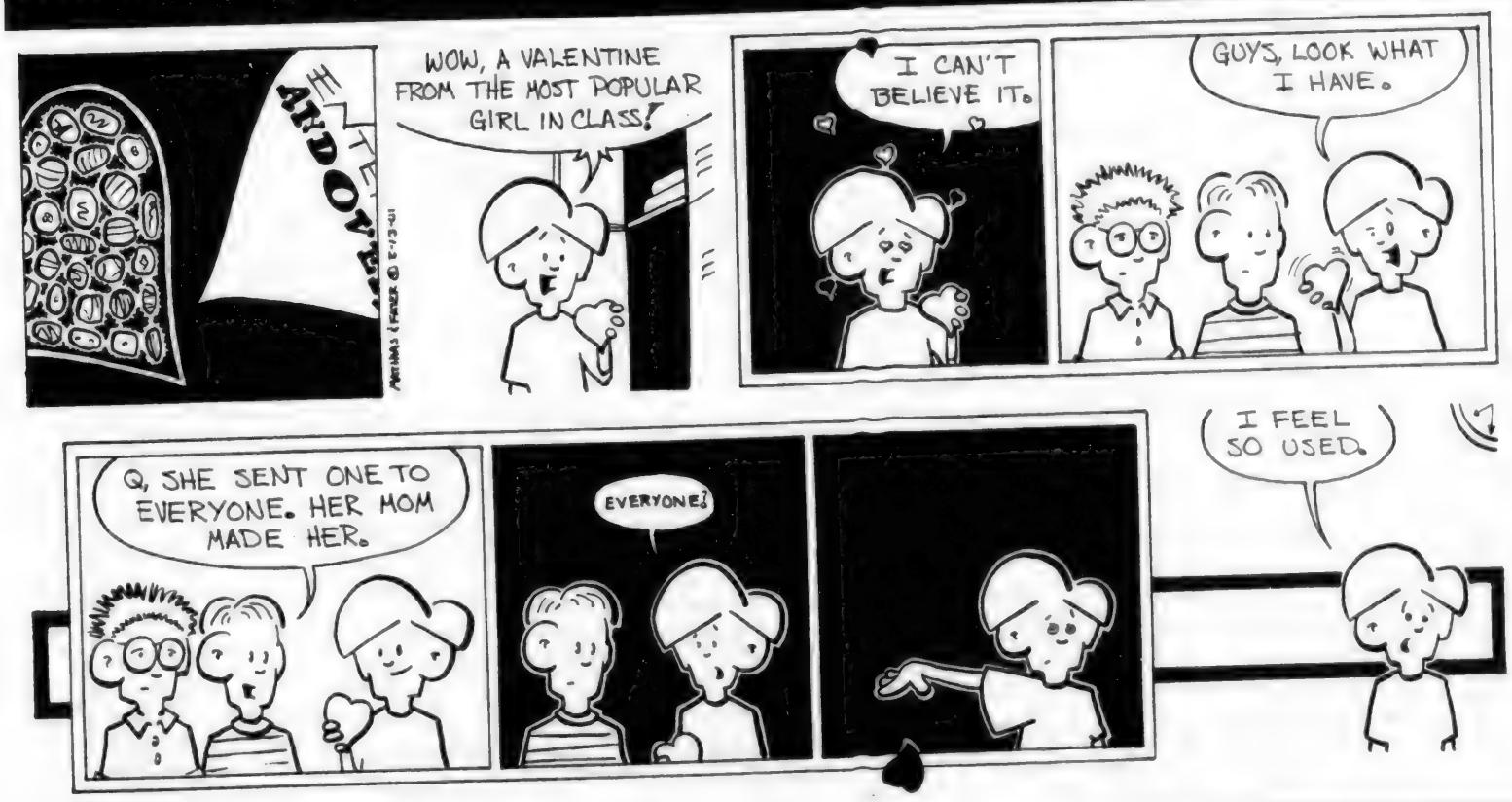
ENTERING ANDOVER

By Neil Fater and Don Mathias



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0400.

Jazz, The Issi Rozen Quartet, 7:30-10:30 p.m., $5 cover, Casa Vecchia, Rte. 97, Salem, N.H.; (603) 893-6553.

Title V information meeting, 7:15 p.m., $5, Smith Hall, Essex Agricultural School, Rte. 62, Danvers; Dan Tremblay (978)777-2711.

Discussion on Archaelogy of the Maine Frontier: The Humphrey Chadbourne Site (1643-90), with Dr. Emerson "Tad" Baker, 7:30 p.m., Peabody Museum, Phillips Academy; 749-4490.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 21

Bus trip to the African Meeting House and the Abiel Smith School at the Boston African American National Historic Site, 9 a.m., free, reservations required, parents and children welcome, meet at Lowell National Historical Park, 67 Kirk St., Lowell; (978)970-5000.

Ramona Quimby performance, by Theatreworks/USA, 10 a.m., 2 p.m., $8.50, for ages 4 and up, Concord Youth Theatre, 40 Stow St., Concord; (978)371-1482.

Print competition night, Merrimack Valley Camera Club, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, Elm Street, North Andover; 689-9643.

THURSDAY, FEB. 22

Film night, *The Building of the Thomas E. Lannon and the Chebacco Schooner*, 7:30-8:45 p.m., $3, Salem Access TV office, 285 Derby St., Salem; Dan Tremblay (978)777-2711.

Poetry reading, with Andover poet Michael Casey, 7 p.m., free, Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; (800)491-0143.

Comedy show for kids, *Laughing Matters*, 10 a.m., 2 p.m., $8.50, for ages 4 and up, Concord Youth Theatre, 40 Stow St., Concord; (978)371-1482.

A Little Matter of We, by a Phillips Academy theatre club, 7 p.m., $3 advance, $4 door, Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy; 794-0827.

The Princely Players of Nashville perform Saturday, Feb. 24 at the Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College. Call 837-5355.

FRIDAY, FEB. 23

Gospel music concert, the Crusade Choir of the New England Pentecostal Church, 7-10 p.m., Lowell Memorial High School; Lowell National Historical Park (978)970-5000.

Death in England, Georgetown Theatre Workshop, 8 p.m., $8, 22 Pleasant St., Georgetown; Elaine Kimball (978)352-2564.

Folk music series, featuring Vance Gilbert, 8 p.m., $25 to $40, Stoneham Theatre & Ensemble, 395 Main St., Stoneham; (781)279-2200, <birchall@empire.net>.

Live comedy, Rosie's Bachelorette Party, 9 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Live comedy, Bob Seibel, Bob Niles, John Joyce, 9:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

A Little Matter of We, *see Feb. 22 entry.*

SATURDAY, FEB. 24

◄ **African-American performance,** featuring the Princely Players of Nashville, 3 p.m., $12 advance, $15 door, Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College; 837-5355.

Murder at the Stevens Estate, the Gourment Detective and Comedy Theater Productions, dinner and show, $55, 732 Osgood St., North Andover; (800)697-2583.

Jazz music series, featuring The Mose Allison Trio, 8 p.m., $25 to

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$40, Stoneham Theatre & Ensemble, 395 Main St., Stoneham; (781)279-2200, <birchall@empire.net>.

Greater Boston Antiques Festival, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., $6, Shriner's Auditorium, Wilmington; (781)862-4039, <www.NE-AntiqueShows.com>.

Blues guitarist Les Sampou, 8 p.m., $12, New Moon Coffeehouse, Jct. Rtes. 110, 125, Haverhill; (978)373-9259, <www.newmooncoffeehouse.org>. ▶

Collectibles show, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., $2, under 12 free, Lions Hall, 12 Lions Ave., Hudson, N.H.; (603)880-7528.

Once Upon a Dream: A Family Show, Merrimack Valley Players, 7 p.m., St. Anthony's Hall, 70 Lawrence St., Lawrence; (603)893-6226.

Live comedy, Bob Seibel, Bob Niles, John Joyce, 9:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Escape at the China Blossom, Rte. 125, North Andover; (781) 938-8088.

Live comedy, Sue Costello, Roe, 8, 10:30 p.m., call for prices, Comedy Palace at Grill 93, River Road; 1-888-TO-LAUGH.

Les Sampou is playing at 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 24 at New Moon Coffeehouse.

***A Little Matter of We**, see Feb. 22 entry.*

***Death in England**, 4 p.m., see Feb. 23 entry.*

SUNDAY, FEB. 25

Lecture, with Adam D. Weinberg, director, Allison Kemmerer, exhibition curator, on *Reinventing the West: The Photographs of Ansel Adams and Robert Adams*, 2 p.m., Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy; 749-4015.

Auditions, *Oliver!*, The Mystic Players, 3-5 p.m. for ages 7 and up, 6-8 p.m. for adults, Congregational Church of West Medford; (617)623-9975, (781)258-9073.

Mardi Gras potluck parish supper, 5 p.m., Trinity Epsicopal Church, 124 River Road, Topsfield; (978)887-5570.

Jazz concert, Phillips Academy Jazz Band, 3 p.m., free, Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy; 749-4995.

2-hour dune walk, sponsored by Andover Appalachian Mountain Club, meet at 1:30 p.m. near the bath house at Castle Hill, Crane Beach, Ipswich, $5 parking fee; Dave & Margarita Milot 682-8924.

Choir rehearsals, Tekwsbury Interfaith Choir, all welcome, no auditions, 7:30 p.m., Tewksbury Congregational Church, Tewksbury Center; 851-2809.

***Greater Boston Antiques Festival**, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., see Feb. 24 entry.*

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There will be an opening reception for "HOME? Crosscurrents in Contemporary South Asian/American Art," this Sunday, Feb. 18, from 2 to 4 p.m. at Brush Art Gallery, 256 Market St., Lowell. The show goes through April 15. Call 459-7819.

'Celestial City' at Free Christian this Sunday

New Life Drama Company will present scenes and songs from its original musical production "Celestial City," based on John Bunyan's classic *The Pilgrim's Progress*, at Free Christian Church (31 Elm St.) this Sunday morning. All are invited to the Free Church's newly-refurbished sanctuary at 9:30 and 11 a.m. when New Life actors, singers and dancers will present highlights of the musical slated to perform at the Chevalier Theater in Medford next month. Call the church office at 475-0700, or go to <www.freechristian.org>.

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Living

Local therapist wrote the book on eating disorders

By Adam Groff

Andover psychotherapist Laura Goodman has just written two books on eating disorders, but when the 1982 Andover High School graduate returned to town in the late 1980s she says, "I knew nothing about eating disorders." That soon changed.

While pursuing her graduate studies in psychology, Goodman started coaching girls' tennis at Andover High. She was hoping to later get a full-time job in the Andover schools.

"For me it was the perfect niche," says the former AHS tennis player, "because I love medicine, I love psychology, and I love sports."

However, during Goodman's first season as coach, four of her 20 players disclosed that they had eating disorders. That's when she decided on her mental health specialty.

At the time, she says, there were no academic programs specializing in eating disorders, but she began reading about them and attending seminars and conferences. In 1988, during an internship at AHS, she started the first eating-disorder program at the school, and in 1990 she joined Andover Mental Health Associates as a psychotherapist. Today she lives in Westford with her husband and two children and has her own practice in Andover, at 21 Central St.

"People think eating disorders are about food and weight," she says, "but they're not. They're never about food and weight – they're coping mechanisms. It's a way for a person to feel in control if they feel out of control." According to Goodman, eating disorders can be a response to a wide variety of circumstances, such as depression, obsessive-compulsive disorder, stress, trauma, fear of growing up or fear of sexuality.

Goodman says that eating disorders – anorexia nervosa, bulimia, and overeating – afflict approximately one out of eight women in the United States. For young women, the numbers are much higher: about one in five high-school girls, and as many as one in four women in college. She says that thousands of men suffer as well, but hard numbers are more difficult to ascertain; according to Goodman, because the disorders are more commonly associated with women, doctors tend not to ask men the relevant questions, and men tend not to volunteer the information.

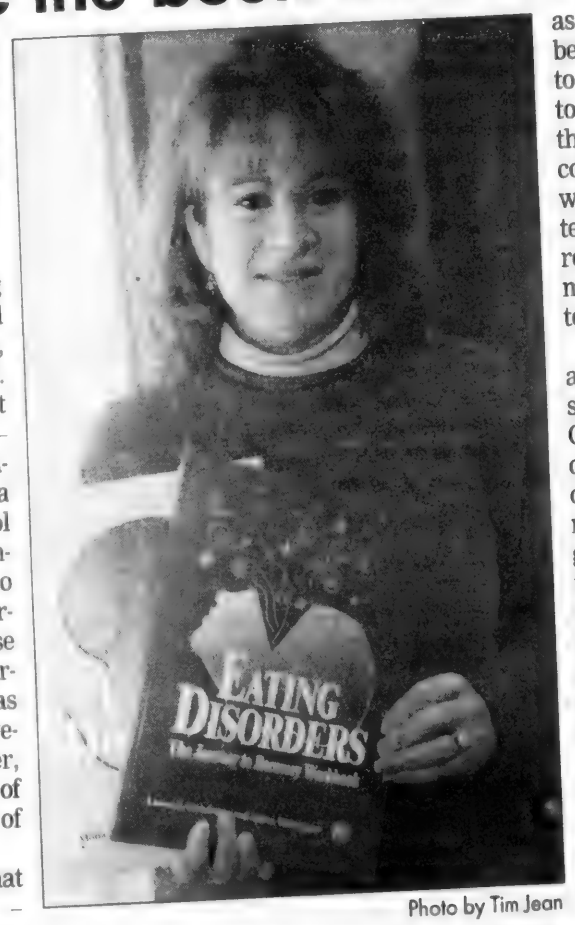

Photo by Tim Jean

Andover psychotherapist Laura Goodman describes a path to recovery.

Anorexics, she says, are people who are starving themselves. One clinical definition of an anorexic is someone who refuses to maintain 85 percent or greater of his or her ideal body weight. Goodman says these people have a fear of fat, a fear of calories, and suffer from body-image disturbances.

"They may weigh themselves many times a day," she says, "make excuses for why they're not eating, lie about what they're eating, wear baggy clothes, isolate themselves from friends, or satisfy their hunger vicariously by cooking for others."

Bulimics regularly eat a large amount in a short period, and then attempt to get rid of the food they've eaten through vomiting, starving themselves in between binges, abusing laxatives, and overexercising. They feel out of control while bingeing, and guilty afterward.

"To eat as much as they do, they have to be in a dissociated mental state," says Goodman. "If they were present, they would feel sick. When they come back, they feel shame and guilt at what they've done, and that's when they purge.

"These people are more likely to seek help, because what they're doing isn't working," she says, because typically, vomiting only gets rid of about 30 percent of the food a person has consumed, and laxatives shed weight largely through water loss.

While much has been written about media messages and societal expectations concerning body image, especially directed at women, Goodman says that media is not the cause of eating disorders.

"Media contributes to the problem," she says, "but if it were the cause, then we'd all have eating disorders. People who are struggling with their sense of self are the ones who

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AHS TV students get a behind-the-scenes look at 'Millionaire'

▲ AHS television production students pose in front of Lincoln Center on their recent behind-the-scenes tour of television production facilities in New York. From left are AHS junior Jessica Thorpe, and AHS seniors Crystal Kalaw, Caitlin Sermos and Shelby Ferris.

◀ AHS business and technology teacher Joe Spanos enjoys trying out Regis Philbin's chair on the set of *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire* on last month's field trip to New York City.

Television production students at Andover High recently participated in the taping of *Who Wants To Be A Millionaire* as part of the annual Behind The Scenes Tour of television production facilities in New York that is organized every year by business and technology teacher Joe Spanos and adviser Harry J. Durso.

Students from the television production classes of Karen Stevens and Joe Spanos boarded the bus at Andover High at 5 a.m. on Jan. 18 and headed for New York for an educational tour of television facilities, which is partially sponsored by the National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

The students started out the day with a visit to the Museum of Television and Radio, where they participated in a discussion and presentation exploring how violence is depicted in the media. The students were guided through several TV clips by museum educator Elizabeth Burton, and shown how the use of music, camera work, editing and directorial and writing choices changed how an act of violence will be perceived by the television audience. The students, Spanos and Durso all contributed to the lively debate on the subject.

Then it was off to the traditional lunch at O'Neal's Restaurant in Lincoln Center, where everyone enjoyed the food and surroundings of this landmark restaurant, which was featured on the hit show *Seinfeld*.

Then the students proceeded on foot to the ABC Stu-

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Dying to Be Thin?

are vulnerable to media messages about thinness."

She says that 10 times more magazine advertisements alluding to physique are directed at women than at men, but that the proportion directed at men is growing. Also, she says, men increasingly believe that their looks are important to success in the corporate world.

Goodman published her first book on eating disorders, *Is Your Child Dying to Be Thin?*, in 1992. This year, Brunner-Routledge has published two more texts on the subject by Goodman and psychologist Mona Villapiano, who practices in Newton. Both women sit on the board of directors of the Massachusetts Eating Disorders Association. *Eating Disorders: The Journey To Recovery Workbook* is designed for people who suffer from eating disorders, and is filled with information and questionnaires that Goodman says can be used, not as a substitute for therapy, but in conjunction with it to help with self-exploration. The second book, *Eating Disorders: Time For Change*, is designed for therapists, physicians, and nutritionists to assist with understanding and treating eating disorders. Suetta Tenney, an Andover physician and town resident, contributed one of the chapters in *Time For Change*, according to Goodman.

A former client of Goodman's, Jared Epps, assisted with illustrating the first book. Epps, says Goodman, spent three years recovering from anorexia and is now a freshman in college, and interviewed Goodman for *Good Housekeeping* magazine last year.

Epps visited Goodman from southern New Hampshire, but he is just one of her clients from outside the area; Goodman says she has seen people from as far east as Swampscott and as far south as Worcester, because of the relative scarcity of specialists in eating disorders. She says there is no medication to treat these disorders, although medications may be used to treat the emotional problems that can underlie eating disorders. Treatment for her clients can come in the form of talk therapy, family therapy, and group therapy.

She says she tries to help her clients develop more appropriate coping mechanisms and behavioral strategies, as well as getting them nutritional counseling.

Goodman has been on maternity leave, caring for her young daughter, but she expects to return to work on March 1.

'Millionaire'

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dios on West 67th Street for a surprise visit to the set of *Who Wants To Be a Millionaire*. Tricia Miller, the publicist for the show, brought everyone through security and then proceeded to take the group for an in-depth look at the set and pre-production activities for that afternoon's taping.

Miller brought the students to the set of the show where she explained how the show is produced and showed the students the many cameras that are used to create the many shots that are a trademark of the show. The students were treated to a look at Regis Philbin's dressing room, the computer monitors on the set, and the master control room, where the director was getting ready for the show. The students saw the show's script on the teleprompter and met Wendy Roth, the supervising producer on the show. Roth and Miller also explained about the strict television game show rules that came out of the game-show scandals of the 1950s, which restrict many aspects of the game show industry today. Miller stated that the writers work in a separate building and that Philbin does not know the answer to any question officially until the audience does. The show's contestants are also isolated from the show's staff.

Miller then held an informative question-and-answer session with the group.

After the tour, the show's producers met with ABC executives and Spanos and Durso to see if the group could be allowed to stay for the actual taping of the show, which is usually restricted by age requirements. An agreement was worked out, and the students were placed in the audience just before taping began. Philbin came out to talk to the teachers and students from Andover High several times during the taping and several AHS students, including Michael Berger and Josh Gold, won *Millionaire* T-shirts for performing for the audience during the breaks in taping.

The students were impressed by the first-class treatment that they received on the show. They also observed that all the members of the show's staff were treated with respect by Philbin and by the show's executives during the taping.

After a thank-you and goodbye from Philbin, the students and teachers were off to Rockefeller Center to skate and relax under a light snowfall and the remaining holiday lights – the perfect ending to a perfect day.

AHS students who participated in the trip and were part of the audience for the show that was broadcast Feb. 1 on ABC were: Jon Almon, Mike Antaya, Mark Baggeroer, Laura Berger, Mike Berger, Mike Capano, Aaron Chalek, Anthony Costello, Ian Darling, Mike DaSilva, Jessica Dunham, Shelby Ferris, Diana Finegold, Jennifer Friedland, Adam Gardner, Eric Giordano, Josh Gold, Katie, Gustin, Eamonn Higgins, Crystal Kalaw, Stephen Kramer, Jessica Monarca, Hugh Mulligan, Matt Newcomb, Leslie Nichols, John Rocker, Claire Rosenberg, Caitlin Sermos, Jeffrey Smidt, Stephen Strong, Jessica Thorpe and Brett Weiner.

Surviving school vacation week

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student-directed theater club performs *A Little Matter of We*, a farce about a married couple who think they have to do everything perfectly. The show is at 7 p.m. and is being performed again tomorrow at Kemper Auditorium, Phillips Academy. Tickets are $4 at the door. Call 794-0827.

Saturday, Feb. 24: The Merrimack Valley Players perform their annual family show entitled Once Upon a Dream. It's a fun-filled trip through the dreams of a young boy, filled with familiar music fit for the entire family. The show is at 7 p.m. at St. Anthony's Hall, 70 Lawrence St., Lawrence, which is close to Lawrence High School. Tickets are available at the door. Call (603) 893-6226.

Another Black History Month celebration happens at 3 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Arts when the Princely Players of Nashville perform. They use music, dance, and theater to share stories of slavery and liberation. Show time is 3 p.m. Tickets are $12 in advance, $15 at the door. Call 837-5355.

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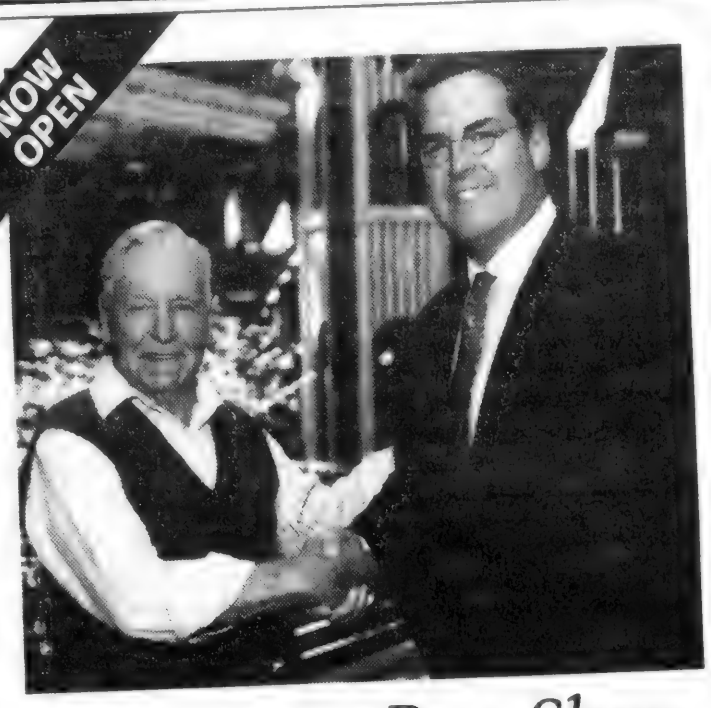

Hometown Boys Share Something in Common

Patrick Ouellette and John Hopkins, hometown boys from Salem, share something in common. Patrick is now a resident of ***Greystone Farm at Salem***, a new Assisted Living Community located near *Field of Dreams Park* and John is the President of ***Benchmark Assisted Living***, the parent company responsible for building and managing ***Greystone Farm***.

For Patrick and his wife (not pictured), ***Greystone Farm*** offers a warm and friendly environment. With their own private apartment, they no longer worry about the maintenance of a house. And with an array of social and physical activities, Patrick and Marie can exercise their sense of independence. Yet, with a caring staff, assistance is always available should it be needed.

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OBITUARIES

Geraldine Olive Blake

Active member of Senior Center; was member of South Church for 62 years

Geraldine Olive Blake, 93, of Andover, died Monday, Feb. 12 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mrs. Blake was born and educated in Wollaston. She attended Bryant & Stratton Secretarial School and worked for many years for International Paper in Boston. In later years, she was a medical secretary for Isham Hospital at Phillips Academy until she retired.

She was a member of South Church in Andover for 62 years. Until recently she was active in the Andover Senior Center where she enjoyed line dancing. Mrs. Blake also volunteered at the Doherty Middle School Media Center.

She was the widow of Winston A. Blake.

Members of her family include her daughter, Carolyn and husband Burton D. Reed of Whitestone, Va.; son, Winston A. Blake Jr. and wife June of Andover; sisters, Ruth Osberg of Chelmsford; Margery Roffey of Bridgewater; a brother, Arthur Olive of Weymouth; nine grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren. She was also the sister of the late Esther Durning of Plympton.

A memorial service will be held at South Church, on Saturday, Feb. 17 at 11 a.m.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Lazarus House in Lawrence; or the MSPCA.

Marie Rabbito

Worked for Social Security office for 25 years

Marie (McGowan) Rabbito, 45, of North Reading and formerly of Andover, died Sunday, Feb. 11 at home.

Mrs. Rabbito worked for the Social Security Administration for 25 years and worked at the Teleservice Center, Malden district office, later transferring to the Lawrence district office, where she worked for 19 years.

Born in Charlestown, she graduated from St. Mary Annunciation High School in Cambridge and Bay State College in Boston.

Members of her family include her husband of 21 years, Stephen J. Rabbito; mother, Mary (Hurley) McGowan of Charlestown; brothers, Philip G. of Waltham, Daniel M. of Acton, Richard P. of Weymouth; sisters, Elizabeth A. O'Leary of Melrose and Jacqueline M. McGowan of Charlestown; and several nieces, nephews and cousins.

Arrangements were by John H. Sawyer Funeral Home, 329 Bunker Hill St., Charlestown.

Emery N. Wescott

Was chemical engineer for Monsanto Chemical Co.

Emery N. Wescott, 85, of Andover, died Sunday, Feb. 11 at MI Nursing and Restorative Center in Lawrence.

For his entire career, Mr. Wescott was a chemical engineer for Monsanto Chemical Co. of Everett.

He retired in 1970 as head of their library, where he was responsible for computerizing the library. During World War II, Mr. Wescott was sent to Monsanto's Texas TNT plant.

Born and educated in Portland, Maine, he graduated from Deering High School in Portland in 1933. He graduated in 1937 from the University of Maine with a degree in chemical engineering.

He lived in Andover since 1947, and was a member of South Church and was active with the Andover Boosters Club.

He was the widower of Barbara (Harlow) Wescott. Members of his family include sons and daughters-in-law, Donald H. and Jacqueline Wescott of Richmond, Robert E. and Gretchen Wescott of Andover, and Gerald R. and Deborah of Jacksonville, Fla.; five grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; two nephews; and a niece.

There were no calling hours. A graveside service will be announced.

Arrangements were by Charles Dewhirst, Edgerley & Bessom Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lazarus House Ministries, 48 Holly St., Lawrence, MA 01841.

Agnes C. Beanland Melvin

Lifelong resident worked at Merrimack College

Agnes C. (Cairnie) Beanland Melvin, 80, of Andover, died Tuesday, Feb. 6 at Lawrence General Hospital.

Mrs. Melvin worked at the former Tyer Rubber Co. and Converse Rubber Co. of Andover. She later worked at Merrimack College in North Andover.

Born and educated in Andover, she lived in town all her life. She had also attended Greater Lawrence Technical School.

Mrs. Melvin was a member of Andover Haven Associates and a member of Andover Common Socialites. During World War II, she was a member of the Peace Corps in Lawrence.

She was the widow of Henry F. Beanland and M. Joseph Melvin. Members of her family include a son, John R. Beanland and daughter-in-law Janice Beanland of Andover; three grandsons; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Charles Dewhirst, Edgerley & Bessom Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lawrence General Hospital Intensive Care Unit and Respiratory Therapy Department, care of the Foundation Office, 1 General St., Lawrence, MA 01841.

Antoinette M. Garneau

Worked at Pacific Mills and Agawam Dye Works

Antoinette M. (Rondeau) Garneau, 90, formerly of Lawrence, died Friday, Feb. 9 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Born in Lawrence, Mrs. Garneau worked at Pacific Mills and Agawam Dye Works.

Mrs. Garneau was a member of St. Theresa Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Lawrence, Ladies of St. Anne Sodality and the Third Order of Mary. She was active with the Cub Scouts at the former St. Anne Parish, and volunteered for Meals on Wheels.

She was the widow of Joseph J. Garneau.

Members of her family include her daughter, Priscilla, and her husband, Joseph Bassett, of Serento, Fla.; son, Louis J. and his wife, Loretta Garneua of Methuen; six grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by Racicot Funeral Home, 256 Broadway, Lawrence.

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Deaths Elsewhere

SHUMAN — Louis Shuman, 96, of Pompano, Fla. and formerly of Lawrence, died Friday, Feb. 9 in Tamarac, Fla.

Mr. Shuman lived in Lawrence until moving 20 years ago and was a member of Temple Emanuel in Andover.

Members of his family inlcude his son John and wife Elizabeth Shuman of Andover.

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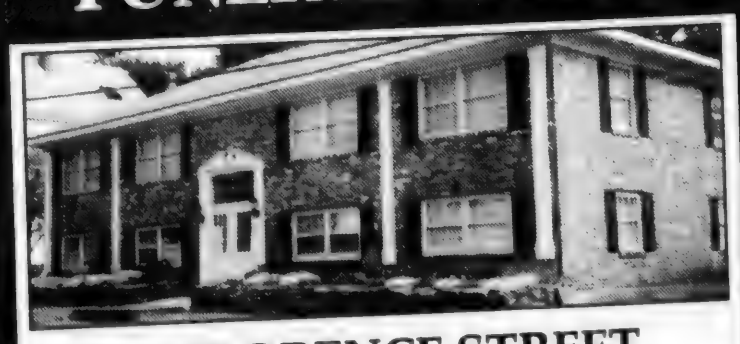

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OBITUARIES

Abraham I. Baker

Member of Temple Emanuel

Abraham I. Baker, 86, of Boca Raton, Fla. and formerly of North Andover and Lawrence, died Sunday, Feb. 11.

Mr. Baker lived in Lawrence for 50 years, in North Andover for 10 years, and moved to Florida 20 years ago.

He was born in New York City and graduated from Lawrence High School. He attended Boston University.

Mr. Baker owned Baker Furniture Co. in Lawrence and also Simmonds Upholstery Factory in the Acadia Mills for 25 years. In 1965, he founded Fugazzi Travel and retired from there 20 years ago.

He was a member of Temple Emanuel of Andover, Knights of Pythias, Jewish Community Center and Congregation Tifereth Anshai Sfard.

Members of his family include his wife, Gertrude (Kimell); two daughters, Elayne and her husband, Larry Smith, of Delray Beach, Fla., and Carolynn and her husband, Rabbi Sanford Jarashow, of Boca Raton, Fla.; a son, Michael Baker of Silver Spring, Md.; a brother, Milton Baker; eight grandchildren, including Jeffrey and Joel Smith and Lisa Dunn, all of Andover; and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services were held yesterday, Wednesday, Feb. 14 at Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Arrangements were by Goldman-Fisher Funeral Chapel, Malden.

John J. Quill

Was manager at Lowell Gas Co. for more than 30 years

John J. Quill, 75, formerly of Lowell, died in Lauderdale by the Sea, Fla. on Sunday, Feb. 11.

He was born in Andover and graduated from Central Catholic High School. He attended Boston College. During World War II, he attended Middlebury College in Vermont and served aboard the *USS L.S.M. 435* in the Asiatic Pacific Theater. He had been employed as a manager by the Lowell Gas Co. for more than 30 years, retiring in 1987 and moving to Florida.

Members of his family include his wife of 54 years, Isabel (Anderson) Quill; a son and daughter-in-law, Robert D. and Linda Quill of Lowell; three daughters and sons-in-law, Linda and William Degnan of Tewksbury, Barbara and Wayne Burgett and Kathleen and David Gwiazda, all of Lowell; two sisters, Kathleen Quill and Barbara Quill, both of Andover; 13 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

He was also the father of the late John J. "Zippy" Quill and Noreen Kasilowski.

A funeral service will be held tomorrow, Friday, Feb. 16 at the Mahoney Funeral Home, 187 Nesmith St., (Rte. 38), Lowell. A Mass will be celebrated at 10:30 a.m. on Feb. 16 at St. Joseph Lithuanian Church, Lowell. Burial will be in St. Mary Cemetery, Tewksbury.

Friends may call today, Thursday, Feb. 15 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to Lowell Association for the Blind, 174 Central St., Lowell, MA 01852.

Rita G. Christie

Among founders of the parish of Sts. Constantine and Helen

Rita (Jasonides) G. Christie, 91, formerly of Andover, and North Andover, and a longtime resident of Salemhaven Nursing Home in Salem, N.H., died Tuesday, Feb. 13.

Born in Politsani, Northern Epirus, Greece, she moved to this country when she was 11 and settled in New Bedford with her family. As a teen-ager, she was a cloth inspector at the Pacific Mills.

Mrs. Christie and her husband moved to Andover in 1929. They ran Andover Lunch for 15 years, and later she worked at the lunch counter at Trafie's in Methuen.

She and her husband were among the founders of the parish of Sts. Constantine and Helen Parish in Lawrence, now located in Andover, and she was a member of the Ladies Philoptochos Society. She also attended St. Gregory Armenian Church in North Andover and was a member of the Andover chapter of Order of Eastern Star.

She was the widow of Gregory Christie, and members of her family include a son and daughter-in-law, Philip and Cynthia Christie of Andover; daughters, Dorothy Malliaros of Methuen, and Bessie and her husband Charles Liponis of Andover; 12 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Calling hours are today, Thursday, Feb. 15 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Breen Funeral Home, 35 Merrimack St., North Andover.

A funeral service will be held Friday, Feb. 16 at 11 a.m. at Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 71 Chandler Road. Burial will be in Spring Grove Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church or Community Center, 71 Chandler Road, Andover, 01810.

Lillian H. Abdo

Enjoyed traveling, dancing, music, and time with family

Lillian H. Abdo, 75, formerly of Lawrence, died Saturday, Feb. 10 at Academy Manor Nursing Home.

Born and educated in Lawrence, Ms. Abdo worked for many years at Western Electric Corp. and AT&T of North Andover, retiring in 1987. She was an active member of the Lawrence Senior Citizens Center, and enjoyed traveling, dancing, music, and spending time with her family.

Members of her family include her sister Diana Nolet of Holiday, Fla.; and many nieces, nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews.

Arrangements were by Pollard Funeral Home, 233 Lawrence St., Methuen.

NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Here are some of the activities planned at the Andover Senior Center:

Men's Breakfast: The senior center men's group will hold their next breakfast on Friday, Feb. 16 at 8:30 a.m. This month's program will feature a slide show and presentation entitled "Safari Through The Serengeti." Come and get an up-close look at African big game animals, exotic wildlife and birds, and all that nature has to offer in this fascinating area. Reservations are $3.

Orchid Show: We are currently accepting reservations for our trip to the New Hampshire Orchid Society Show on Friday, March 9. Cost of the trip is $15, which includes admission, tour and transportation. Following the show, we'll enjoy lunch together at the Weathervane Restaurant in Nashua, where we will order off the menu. If you'd like to travel with us to enjoy these beautiful and exotic flowers, just drop into the center to register.

Supper Club: This month we will stay close to home and enjoy eating together at the Grill 93 Restaurant, right here in Andover. Cost is $14 inclusive. Menu choices are rotisserie chicken, baked stuffed haddock or roast prime rib. Please stop into the center if you would like to make a reservation. Dinner is at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21.

Brown Bag Lecture: If you'd like to escape the New England winter, come join us Wednesday, Feb. 21 at noon went we will take an "Egyptian Adventure" with Jane and Ted Taylor. Relive with the Taylors their trip to this most interesting of locations. Reservations are $2. Bring a bag lunch; we'll supply dessert and coffee.

Creative Cooking: Various kinds of winter stews are on the menu this month when our creative cooking group will get together on Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 9 a.m. Enjoy lunch, new recipes, and the fellowship of this fun group. Reservations are limited $6. Call the center to register.

Friday Forum – Prescription Drug Plan: On Friday, Feb. 23 at 9:30 a.m., we will host Paul Bolger from the executive Office of Elder Affairs, who will introduce us to the state's new prescription drug plan scheduled to go into effect in Massachusetts on April 1 of this year. This plan will be open to all seniors over the age of 65 regardless of income. If available from the state, applications will be distributed at the forum. Let us know if you plan to attend so we may plan appropriately.

Movie Matinee — *The Perfect Storm*: George Clooney and Mark Walhberg lead the cast in this riveting drama about a group of Gloucester fishermen who head out to sea during one of the most devastating storms of the 20th century, shown Monday, Feb. 26 at 1 p.m.

Computer Workshop: "How To Buy A Personal Computer" will be presented Monday, Feb. 26 at 1:30 p.m. Topics covered will be: how to decide what you need, what type of hardware and software to buy, where should you purchase it, how much should you pay, etc. If you're thinking about buying, or are undecided about whether you should, this program should be helpful. Please pre-register; cost is $4.

Exercise Registration: The week of Feb. 26 is registration week for the spring semester of exercise classes. If you're interested in joining our men's exercise, yoga, line dance, tai chi, water workout, strength training for women, or low-impact aerobics, stop by the center during that week for more information.

Candidates' Coffee: We invite all interested citizens of Andover to join us Friday, March 2 at 9:30 a.m. to meet the candidates running for selectmen, school committee, housing authority and moderator in the upcoming town election. Take advantage of the opportunity to get to know the candidates positions and priorities for the town before you go out to vote. Morning refreshments will be served.

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Business

Business briefs...

Andoverites join director boards at Family Service

Family Service, Inc. has announced the addition of nine new members to its board of directors and its advisory board of directors. Six of them are Andover residents.

New members of the board of directors include: Chris Corbett, Angel M. Garcia, Eli Levine, and Donna Menneto, all of Andover. New members of the advisory board of directors include: Frederick Lowrie and Jeffrey C. Shea, both of Andover.

"We are honored to welcome our new board members to the agency," said Kay Berthold Frishman, executive director of Family Service. "Family Service will greatly benefit from their diverse experience and knowledge."

Family Service purchased and renovated its building at 430 North Canal St. in Lawrence last year.

Miriam McDonald joins Keller Williams Realty

Miriam McDonald

Miriam McDonald has joined Keller Williams Realty of 63 Park St.

McDonald is a fully licensed and credentialed graduate of the Lee Institute, Kathy Roosa School of Real Estate, as well as a graduate of the Realtors Institute, earning her GRI certification.

She has been a licensed real estate broker in Massachusetts since 1979, and in New Hampshire since 1999.

Resident now CFO of software company

Integrated Development Enterprise Inc., a provider of development chain management (DCM) software for integrated product development, announced that Robert Markus has joined it as its chief financial officer.

"Markus brings with him nearly 20 years of domestic and international financial expertise, specializing in operations, financial reporting, strategic planning and modeling, and information technology solutions, with additional experience in public offerings and strategic partnering," says a company release.

Most recently, Markus was a vice president of finance and administration of Andover-based MyWay.com, a CMGI company that provides infrastructure, distribution, content, and commerce to Web sites and wireless appliances. Markus also formerly worked at Process Software Corporation in Framingham.

Markus lives in Andover with his wife and three children.

So far, so good for Hawthorne Suites

Extended stay market looks promising

By Adam Groff

As two new Marriott hotels continue construction at Minuteman Park and another site across River Road has been set aside for hotel development, Hawthorne Suites on Riverside Drive is celebrating its first anniversary today. General Manager Daniel Pereira says it's been a great year.

"We've been doing great," Pereira said. "For being open for 12 months, we've done very well. Our goal was to get our name out in the area and become a part of the Andover community."

Hawthorne, owned and operated by Princeton Properties Management Inc. of Lowell, caters to "extended stay" travelers. Pereira says the average stay of guests at the hotel is a week or more, and about a third stay for at least 30 nights.

Who stays in a hotel for a month?

These guests, according to Pereira, are "looking for a home or they're building a home, or they're consultants from out of town working on special projects. Those are the two major categories." He says most are from out of state, and many are from overseas.

With only 84 suites, each equipped with fully appointed kitchens, personalized phone mail and computer dataports, and the hotel at large offering a business center, laundry and valet service, a fitness center, and a free daily paper, Hawthorne is definitely focusing on quality, not quantity.

"Andover is a unique market," said Pereira, "because it's really competitive. Our small number of units gives us a unique opportunity to give a high level of service."

Photo by Tim Jean

While Hawthorne Suites enjoyed success during its first year in Andover...

...other extended stay hotels are on the way, including two hotels on Minuteman Road.

But with two new hotels on the way, one of them also extended-stay, the Andover market is about to get more competitive. Can all these facilities keep their rooms occupied in a slowing economy?

"My answer is yes," said Pereira with regard to Hawthorne, "and I think it's going to come down to building relationships. We're very confident that we're doing that."

Planning Director Steve Colyer thinks Andover can sustain the new hotel growth.

"I don't think things are slowing down, at least not in Andover," Colyer said. "It's because of the power base we have – the fact that Andover is right at the crossroads of two major interstates. Is it sustainable? I think it is sustainable, or developers wouldn't be building new hotels. Those more savvy developers who are in it for the long haul are smart, and they don't make rash decisions."

Hawthorne's experience is bearing that out so far. Pereira said that Hawthorne has averaged about a 70-percent occupancy level over the past year, slightly above the hotel average nationally. This might be surprising for a luxury hotel, but Pereira, too, thinks Andover is well-positioned.

"I think that Andover has always been kind of a steady market," he said, "in that the bulk of companies in Andover are major companies like Raytheon and Agilent Technologies – it's not like we're surrounded by dot-coms. I think were surrounded by a pretty steady core of businesses to keep us moving."

So, according to Pereira, it's onward and upward for Hawthorne.

"We're pushing our employees to the front, striving to become the No. 1 hotel in Andover," he said.

Investigatory chamber meeting

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce's human resource association will offer a program called "Conducting Internal Investigations" today, Thursday, Feb. 15 from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Lawrence Elks, 625 Andover St., Lawrence.

It costs $15 for members and $30 for non-members. Lunch is included. Call 686-0900.

Free seminar for CPAs, attorneys

New England Fiduciary and Investment Management, a division of The Savings Bank, planned to host a free half-day seminar for CPAs and attorneys yesterday, Wednesday, Feb. 14 at the Andover Country Club, beginning with a buffet breakfast at 8 a.m. Attendees could earn up to four credits at the session, entitled "Estate and Distribution Planning for Retirement Benefits."

RETIRING TYPE

Nancy Gump of Andover recently retired after 27 years serving on the professional staff of CLM Behavioral Health. Gump (right) was congratulated by Vic Topo, chief executive officer of the local community mental health organization.

Gump joined CLM in 1973, and is a therapist and mental professional who served as director of elder services. A reception was held in her honor at Promises to Keep in Derry, N.H.

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Sports

Defeat finally crosses the Lady Warriors' paths

But theirs is one of three MVC titles nailed down by AHS teams within the past week, including girls gymnastics (9-0) and girls track (7-0)

By Rick Harrison

A not-so-funny thing happened to the Andover High girls basketball team on its way to another Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 championship.

The Lady Warriors lost by a point to Central Catholic, falling back into a first-place tie with the Raiders in the process.

But coach Jim Tildsley's club was smiling just 48 hours later, when they regained sole possession of the top spot after Lowell upset Central, 59-52, and the locals belted Haverhill.

A 53-42 Andover win over Methuen in the conference finale Tuesday night made it official — as the locals nailed down the title.

"I owe Mike (Lowell head coach Crowley) a very big 'thank you' for beating Central," said Tildsley.

The AHS girls didn't learn of the Central loss until they got home after the Haverhill game, but it didn't take long for the good word to spread.

"I called Jenny Muller and it wasn't long before they all knew," said Tildsley.

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That was one of three MVC titles nailed down by AHS teams within the past week.

Girls gymnastics rolled to an easy win over Wilmington in its regular season finale, finishing undefeated once again (9-0) and securing its seventh MVC title in the last 11 years.

The Lady Warriors later made it a clean sweep for the second straight year, as Kristin Elsmore registered a school-record all-around score of 36.65 to ignite the defending state champs to a school-record 140.125 team score for first place in the annual Merrimack Valley Conference Championship Meet at the Dunn Gym.

Becky Hass also had a huge meet to help the locals to the runaway win.

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Girls track completed the dual-meet campaign unbeaten (7-0), grabbing sole possession of its second straight MVC Division 1 crown with a 47-39 triumph over Chelmsford that featured a double event win by miler/high jumper Emily Pfeil.

It was only the second indoor track loss in a decade for the Lions, both within the last two weeks.

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With freshman guard Chris Vetrano pumping in 61 points in wins over Haverhill and Methuen, boys basketball grabbed a slice of first place in MVC Division 1.

The defending champs posted an amazing come-from-behind win over Haverhill, and got a boost from Lowell when the Red Raiders upset Central Catholic, 62-57, to create a three-way tie among Andover, Haverhill and Central.

Haverhill and Central locked horns last night, after *Townsman* presstime, and the result of that game and next Wednesday's Andover-Central clash will determine the league champ.

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Girls gymnastics coach Julie Chapman became the latest member of Andover's 100 career-win club.

The victory over Wilmington was the landmark 100th for Chapman, and the MVC champs trotted out a cake after the meet to celebrate the milestone.

"I don't pay much attention to statistics but this one is nice to have," said Chapman.

Earlier this season girls hoop coach Jim Tildsley notched his 100th win at AHS.

Hockey coach Bill Cullen continues to close in on the century mark, as he entered last night's game against Dracut with 93 wins.

Boys basketball coach Dave Fazio is marching steadily in the direction of win No. 200.

He currently has 187 and, although he can't do it this year, Fazio should notch No. 200 early next season.

BOYS BASKETBALL

Head coach Dave Fazio called the spectacular come-from-behind 71-69 win over Haverhill one of most exciting games he's coached in 12 seasons at Andover.

The Golden Warriors erased an eight-point deficit with 1:38 to play, and won the game when Chris Vetrano hit a runner in the lane with 1.5 seconds left in regulation.

Not only did the victory propel Andover back into the title picture, but it came before a packed gym on the enemy's court.

Avoiding a letdown, AHS followed up with an 80-69 triumph over Methuen on Tuesday night.

Those results left Andover at 13-5 overall, 10-2 in MVC play and riding a five-game win streak.

"We knew coming into the season that Vetrano was good," said Fazio. "But he's turned out even better than predicted.

"We told him at the beginning of the season his No. 1 priority was to take care of the ball — and he's done a phenomenal job in that regard.

"We asked him to make all the players around him better — and he's done that too.

"And the kid makes the big shots," added Fazio. "He definitely does not play like a freshman."

Schedule

The locals open defense of their MediaOne Tournament championship on Saturday afternoon at Boston College High, facing a South Boston team that will enter the semifinal round game with a sub-.500 record.

The Golden Warriors play at 3:30 p.m., with the other semifinal between host team B.C. High (12-3) and powerhouse Charlestown (16-1) to follow.

The two winners meet in the tourney title game on Sunday at 5:15 p.m.

Anticipating an Andover-Charlestown final, coach Fazio scouted the Charlestown-Cambridge Rindge and Latin game over the weekend.

CR&L, which knocked Andover off 55-53 in last year's Division 1 North final at Tsongas Arena in Lowell, handed Charlestown its first loss, 84-81.

So Fazio saw an opponent he may face in the MediaOne Tournament and another he could meet again in the Division 1 North tourney.

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Andover's second showdown with Central Catholic, which will have definite MVC title implications for AHS and perhaps both teams, will be played Feb. 21 in Lawrence.

Scoring leaders

After 18 games, sweet-shooting freshman guard Chris Vetrano leads the team with 344 points (19.1 average), while Paraguayan exchange student Bruno Zanotti has 244 and Kevin Shepard 228.

No Tommy M.

Coach Fazio indicated that Andover will have to go through the remainder of the season without all-time career scoring leader Tom McLaughlin (1,564 points).

The Princeton University-bound senior has been sidelined all year with a knee injury.

Andover 71
Haverhill 69

With a title shot hanging in the balance, Andover started its dramatic comeback when Kevin Shepard buried a three-pointer to cut the final-minute deficit to five points.

Haverhill notched a free throw to boost the lead back to six, but Vetrano stole the ball for a lay-up and converted a free throw after being fouled for a traditional three-point play.

A short time later Geordie Miliotis hit a big jump shot to tie the game, setting the stage for Vetrano's game-winning runner in the lane after AHS rebounded a missed Hillie free throw.

"It's one of the best wins we've had in years," said coach Fazio. "These kids have been like this all year. The whole season has been a series of comebacks.

"We were down 11 against Lowell late in the game and came back to win, and I don't know how many times we came from behind when we beat Central (57-55). These guys refuse to quit."

Vetrano had a season- and career-high 35 points to lead all scorers, and he added five assists and four (pass and shot) deflections.

Bruno Zanotti also had a huge game with 18 points, 10 rebounds, three blocked shots, three steals and nine deflections.

Miliotis contributed eight points, Shepard seven, Chris Caverly two and Andy Carter had a free throw.

Balanced Haverhill was led by Don Snow with 16 points, A.J. Croft and Ramon Martinez 13 each and Jermaine Harris 10.

Haverhill had beaten Andover 72-59 at the Dunn Gym on Jan. 5.

"The win over Waltham (68-59) in last year's tournament semifinal was exciting, too, because it got us to the North title game," said Fazio. "But for sheer dramatics this one is near the top of my memorable games as a coach."

Andover 80
Methuen 69

The Golden Warriors rolled out to a 44-26 halftime lead on the way to their first 80-point game of the season.

Although the host Rangers never seriously challenged, they did finish with a 27-26 edge in field goals. But Andover was white-hot at the free throw line, nailing 23-of-26 charities to 12-of-15 for Methuen.

Once again Chris Vetrano led the charge with 26 points and six assists.

Bruno Zanotti contributed 16 points, eight rebounds and three blocked shots, while Kevin Shepard had 14 points and three assists.

Pat Stockwood tossed in 10 points, Geordie Miliotis eight and Chris Caverly six. Miliotis also had three steals and four deflections.

Jeff Nicholson exploded for 33 points and Steve Marquis added 13 in the game at the Methuen High Field House.

AHS beat the Rangers 56-42 in a much tamer game on Jan. 26.

INDOOR TRACK

Emily Pfeil placed first in the mile and high jump, while a sweep of the shot put and 1-2 finishes in the 50 hurdles and high jump were huge, as the Andover girls nailed down the Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 title by beating perennial power Chelmsford for the first time in years, 47-39, at the AHS Field House.

"It's been such a fragile competition between our two teams the past nine or 10 years," said AHS head coach Art Iworsley. "Almost every meet came down to the mile relay — and we would invariably lose that race and end up losing the meet by two, four or six points.

"This was a close battle most of the way — although for once it didn't come down to the relay. Sweeping the shot and going 1-2 in the high jump were huge for us.

"After that we needed to take a second place in the mile to clinch it — and Emily (Pfeil) ended up winning the race," said Iworsley.

The Lady Warriors finished 7-0 overall, including 4-0 in Division 1, and they are now undefeated through their last 15 conference meets (14-0-1) since a 46-40 loss to Chelmsford two years ago.

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The AHS boys ended on a high note as well, winning the mile relay by 1/10th of a second to clinch a 47-38 victory over Chelmsford.

The Golden Warriors were 2-2 in MVC Division 1 and 2-4 overall.

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The AHS girls also had individual wins from Janelle Larose (300 dash, meet record), Stephanie Casper (600) and the mile relay (meet record) in the fourth annual Merrimack Valley Conference Girls Freshman/Sophomore Meet at the AHS Field House.

Schedule

The annual Eastern Mass. Class B Championship Meet is tomorrow evening at the Reggie Lewis Track and Athletic Center in Roxbury (5 p.m.).

Andover girls 47
Chelmsford 39

Emily Pfeil won the mile with a 5:50.1 clocking, edging past Chelmsford cross country ace Kara Gillette (5:50.7), and she cleared 4'10" for first place in the high jump.

Both teams captured five events, with Andover also receiving winning efforts from hurdler Stephanie Pierce (7.5), two-miler Laura O'Connell (12:39.2) and undefeated shot putter Ogechi Ibe (34'4").

The sweep of the shot was completed by Robin Young (31'4 1/2") and Betsy Miller (personal-best 30'6 1/4").

Sheena Patel was second in the hurdles (7.5), Stephanie Casper in the 300 dash (personal-best 40.6) and Lindsay Durkin in the 1000 run (3:01.1).

Natasha Camilo, who missed the Lowell meet with the flu, returned to register a pair of seconds in the 600 run (1:39.6) and high jump (4'8").

Completing the AHS scorers in the title-clinching meet were third-place finishers Carolyn Berberian (50 dash, 6.8), Laura Denison (300 dash, personal-best 41.7) and Melissa Yee (1000 run, 3:11.1).

The coaches selected Ogechi Ibe as Andover Meet MVP.

Andover boys 47
Chelmsford 38

The Golden Warriors were clinging to a 42-38 lead entering the relay, and needed to win that race to avoid back-end 43-42 losses to open and close the season.

"The race was nip-and-tuck all the way," said Iworsley. "Their anchor man passed Shahriar (Ghandchi) rounding the final turn, but Shahriar caught him just as the Chelmsford runner collapsed at the finish line."

Ghandchi, Kyle Miller, Tim Galebach and Mike Ring were clocked in 3:48.7 while the Chelmsford relayers finished in 3:48.8.

Andover placed first in seven of the 10 events, with individual victories from Miller in the 50 hurdles (personal-best 6.8), Bruce Brown in the 50 dash (personal-best 5.7), Shawn Gaines in the 300 dash (personal-best 36.2), undefeated miler Tim Galebach (4:45.3), high jumper Jason Crabb (5'3") and shot putter John Gardner (41'8 1/2").

The locals had a big nine-point sweep of the shot put, with Gardner followed by Andy Gallagher (40'11") and Alex Gostanian (38'6 1/4"). All three putters uncorked personal-best throws.

Even though he didn't score, Peter An was fourth in the shot put (38'1 1/2").

Other AHS runners-up were Crabb (50 dash, 5.8) and two-miler Brendan Ahern (10:38.7).

Placing third were Ghandchi (600 run, 1:23.75) and Ring (1000 run, 2:42.3).

Miller and Galebach were co-recipients of the Andover Meet MVP award.

MVC Girls Frosh/Soph Meet

Janelle Larose set a new meet record 41.4 in winning the 300 dash, while Stephanie Casper placed first in the 600 run (1:38.4) and anchored the mile relay which ran a meet-record 4:32.9 and also included Allison Shannon, Laura Denison and Larose.

Becca Fink tied for second in the high jump (4'8"), Denison was second

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AHS ROUNDUP

in the 300 dash (41.5), Charlene Fielding second in the 50 dash (6.7) and Julia Kwolyk runner-up in the two-mile (13:18.6).

Shot putter Vicki Britton placed fourth (27'5"), and fifths were contributed by Fielding in the high jump (4'8") and sprinter Carolyn Berberian in the 50 dash (6.9).

Sixth-place finishers for the Lady Warriors were two-miler Jenicka Hornung (14:33.1) and miler Lauren Woo (6:15.4).

Andover resident Justine Douvadjian, who attends Notre Dame Academy in Tyngsboro, was fourth in the 300 dash (42.1) and she ran a leg on NDA's third-place relay.

If team scores had been kept at the meet the locals would have chalked up 71 points.

GIRLS GYMNASTICS

Junior Kristin Elsmore's sensational 36.65 all-around score at the MVC Championship Meet eclipsed the school record of 36.30 that she previously held with Julie Mullane.

Elsmore had two firsts, a second and a third against the rest of the MVC elite to earn the all-around title by almost two full points.

Since each school can only have one all-around competitor, and since Becky Hass was the all-around last year, Hass competed in three events this time around and chalked up a first, second and third.

All seven scores for Elsmore and Hass were in the nines.

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The dual-meet win over Wilmington was the 18th straight for the Lady Warriors, and AHS teams are now 71-5 in their last 76 duals.

The Wilmington meet was also "Senior Night," with flowers presented to AHS 12th grade gymnasts Maureen Lothrop, Katie McKain, Gretchen Fuhr, Kaitlin Doyle, Renee Fung and Beth Upton.

Blue-Gold Meet

The Gold defeated the Blue, 129.80 to 127.40, in the annual Blue-Gold showdown Monday at the Dunn Gym.

Kristin Elsmore, Renee Fung and Katie Cail were among the top performers for the Gold, while Blue leaders included Becky Hass, Sheri Bernstein and Bahaar Massihzadegan.

Elsmore placed first on the uneven bars with a 9.2, while Hass checked in at 9.1, Bernstein at 8.5, Fung 8.4 and Cail 8.0.

Schedule

The annual 12-team North Sectional Championship Meet is scheduled for this Saturday at Woburn High (11 a.m.).

The seeding meeting was held last night, after *Townsman* presstime, and it appeared almost certain AHS would be seeded No. 2 behind Beverly.

"Some of the Beverly scores have been out of sight," said coach Chapman. "But the Sectionals are a great equalizer. All that matters is how you perform that day."

Andover is the defending Sectional champ, and must finish as one of the top four teams on Saturday to get a chance to defend its All-State title the following Saturday, Feb. 24.

MVC Championship Meet

"It was nice to cap off the conference season by hitting the 140-point mark for the first time," said coach Chapman. "And we did it with only four girls in each event."

The 140.125 was the top overall score among the league's 10 teams, and well ahead of second-place Chelmsford which finished at 131.90.

The margin of victory, 8.225 points, is also believed to be the widest in the history of the meet.

Kristin Elsmore dazzled in every event, placing first on balance beam with a 9.2, first in vault with a 9.0, second in floor exercise with a 9.3 and third on bars with a 9.15.

"It was nice to see Kristin score so well on beam because that's been her toughest event," said coach Chapman.

Her 9.3 in floor trailed only Erica Sideri of Masconomet Regional, who posted a flashy 9.45.

Becky Hass was first on bars with a sizzling 9.3, second on beam with a 9.1 and tied for third in floor with a 9.2.

"Becky was our all-around last year at this meet — so this time it was Kristin's turn," said coach Chapman.

The only other AHS gymnast to crash the top six placers in any event was Renee Fung, who finished sixth on bars with an 8.65. Fung also scored an 8.0 in vault.

Sheri Bernstein competed in three events, scoring 8.6 for seventh on bars and adding an 8.35 on beam and a personal-best 9.025 to place top 10 in floor.

Katie Cail recorded a personal-best 8.95 in floor, Jackie Barry had a 7.8 on beam, and other vaulters were Bahaar Massihzadegan with an 8.4 and Gretchen Fuhr with an 8.1.

Andover 137.40
Wilmington 116.00

Even without its strongest lineup in competition, the deep and talented MVC champs scored a big number in the dual-meet finale.

"Our depth never ceases to amaze me," said coach Chapman. "A lot of our top gymnasts sat out and we still came up with the 137.

"We weren't going for a big score against Wilmington — but almost everyone stuck their routine and we only had one fall on beam. Three seniors competed on beam and they all did very well."

Juniors Becky Hass and Kristin Elsmore tied for first in the all-around with identical 36.10 scores.

"It was a good night for both girls," said Chapman. "They both needed those totals to help them qualify for the State Individuals. Becky and Kristin were on the bubble for states but those scores should get them in as all-arounds."

Elsmore placed first in three events and registered three nines, posting a 9.3 in floor exercise, 9.1 on the uneven bars and a 9.0 in vault. She also finished second on beam with an 8.7.

"Kristin has a more relaxed attitude this year," said Chapman. "Last year — even though everyone knew how good she is — she put extra pressure on herself thinking she had to prove something. This year that 'edge' is off and she's performing even better."

Hass also had three nines and was tops on beam with a 9.2. She added a trio of second places in floor (9.2), on bars (9.0) and in vault (8.7).

AHS thirds went to Renee Fung on bars (8.8), Katie McKain on beam (8.1), Jenn Nisco in vault (8.0) and Gretchen Fuhr in floor (8.3).

Placing fourth were Bahaar Massihzadegan on bars (8.1), McKain in vault (7.9) and Krissy Levis in floor (8.2).

Kaitlin Doyle competed on bars (7.6) and beam (7.6), while Maureen Lothrop also contributed identical 7.8 scores in vault and floor.

Other AHS performers were Lisa Vallera (bars, 6.6), Beth Upton (beam, 7.5), Laura Lamontagne (beam, 7.2), Diana Vining (vault, 7.3) and Andrea Krivelow (floor, 7.1).

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Wins over Haverhill and Methuen helped erase the disappointment of the loss to Central Catholic and handed Andover its fourth Merrimack Valley Conference Division 1 title in the last five years.

AHS routed the Hillies, 58-35, and cruised to a 53-42 triumph over the Rangers on Tuesday night at the Dunn Gym.

The loss to Central halted a pair of Andover High winning streaks, as the host Raiders rallied from a seven-point halftime deficit to squeeze past the locals, 54-53, in their showdown at the CCHS Auditorium.

AHS had won 28 straight MVC games and 25 consecutive regular season games dating back to last year.

"Our kids were understandably devastated after the loss," said coach Jim Tildsley. "We played well. It was a good game. Central is an excellent team."

Andover finished at 14-1 in conference play and stands 18-1 overall heading into the MediaOne Tournament this weekend.

Schedule

The four-team MediaOne tourney will be played at Boston College High in Dorchester. Andover will open with a semifinal round game against Jeremiah Burke High of Boston at 1:45 p.m. on Saturday.

The other semifinalists are Notre Dame Academy of Hingham and Somerville.

The Division 1 North Tournament pairings should be out late next week with the opening round starting shortly thereafter.

Scoring leaders

After 19 games, Jenny Muller leads the parade with 297 points (15.6 average). Lisa Tisbert has 226 points, Megan Pinksten 199, Ashley McLaughlin 129 and Shannon Sweeney 118.

Tisbert now has 632 career points and Muller 608.

Pinksten honored

Center/forward Megan Pinksten is this week's recipient of the Baystate Financial Services Player of the Fortnight award.

"Megan has averaged over 10 points and 10 rebounds (double-double) per game and, in addition to this great production, she is a team leader who works hard and is unselfish," said coach Jim Tildsley. "She has played very well in big games."

Kramer injured

Defensive specialist Katie Kramer injured her lower back in the Central Catholic game, and sat out both the Haverhill and Methuen games.

She is expected back this weekend for the MediaOne Tournament.

Senior Night

AHS senior players Lisa Tisbert, Shawna Foley and Karen Whelan were honored before the final regular season home game Tuesday night against Methuen.

The underclassmen decorated the gym and presented the seniors with flowers and other gifts.

Central Catholic 54
Andover 53

The Lady Warriors, who handed Central its only loss (57-46 on Jan. 19), led 30-23 at the half and boosted the lead to as many as nine points in the second half.

But then disaster struck.

"They caught fire at the end of the game and we couldn't hold on," said Tildsley. "We didn't shoot very well and that hurt us."

Another key factor was defensive specialist Katie Kramer being forced to leave the game with an injury after she stepped in and tried unsuccessfully to take a charging foul.

"It was definitely a foul and a terrific play by Katie," said Tildsley. "They (officials) just didn't make the call."

The injury, which turned out to be a bruised pelvis, occurred with about five minutes to play after Kramer had blanketed Central standout Brigid Hegarty and kept her scoreless for the first 27 minutes.

After Kramer left the un-handcuffed Hegarty pumped in 13 points, including a huge trey to put the host team ahead and a key free throw with 13 seconds left that proved to be the winning point.

"It was a very physical game and we hung in tough," said Tildsley.

Jenny Muller once again led the Andover scoring parade, and shared game-high honors, with 17 points. She also had five rebounds, four steals and three assists.

Megan Pinksten and Capt. Lisa Tisbert netted 13 points each, with Pinksten adding 13 rebounds and one blocked shot.

Shannon Sweeney tossed in eight points to go with 12 boards, four assists, three steals and one block.

Completing the scoring attack with a basket was Ashley McLaughlin, who also had five rebounds, while Kramer passed out four assists before the injury.

Caitlin Riley was the top scorer for Central with 17 points. Hegarty finished with 13 and Lani Hall had nine.

Neither team was especially sharp at the free throw line, Andover hitting 8-of-17 and Central 7-of-15 from the stripe.

Andover 58
Haverhill 35

There was no letdown after the agonizing loss to Central.

Andover returned to business as usual, taking a 29-16 halftime lead and cruising to the victory at the Dunn Gym.

"I was proud of the way the kids bounced back from the Central game," said coach Tildsley. "They came out very determined and played extremely well."

Jenny Muller and Lisa Tisbert ignited the offense, Muller with a game-high 18 points, eight assists and Tisbert with 16 points and five assists.

Megan Pinksten contributed nine points and nine rebounds.

Ashley McLaughlin tossed in four points, pulled down six rebounds and passed out two assists.

With Katie Kramer nursing her bruised pelvis, Kelly McLaughlin made her first start and produced three points, seven rebounds and two steals.

Merry Fish (trey) and Samantha Hughes (free throws) had three points each, while Hughes also corralled three rebounds.

Shannon Sweeney completed the attack with two points, five boards and four assists.

"This may have been Jenny's (Muller) best all-around game," said Tildsley. "We were able to rest her for short periods of time throughout the game — and she was immense.

"Merry (Fish) did a good job spelling Muller and Kelly (McLaughlin) responded to her starting assignment well."

Andover 53
Methuen 42

In beating the Rangers for the third time this season, AHS pounded to a 34-17 halftime lead and never let the visitors any closer than the final 11-point margin in the second half.

"We played very well in the first half," said coach Tildsley. "We didn't press in the second half and the game slowed down quite a bit. There was also a lot of bumping."

Megan Pinksten emerged as top scorer for the Lady Warriors with 14 points, and she added 13 rebounds and three steals.

Lisa Tisbert produced 12 points, five rebounds, two assists and two steals.

Ashley McLaughlin also hit double figures with 10 points, and she added six boards, four assists, two steals and two blocked shots.

Jenny Muller checked in with seven points, six assists, five rebounds and four steals.

Shannon Sweeney added six points, five rebounds and two assists, while Samantha Hughes produced four points, five caroms an assist and a steal.

Kelly McLaughlin registered three assists and two rebounds.

Amy Johnson was game-high scorer for Methuen with 15 points.

BOYS SWIM & DIVE

The Andover High boys swim and dive team, which posted a 6-2 dual-meet record, finished second to regular-season titlist Chelmsford in the annual Merrimack Valley Conference Championship Meet at the Charles White Natatorium in Haverhill.

The Golden Warriors piled up 261 points — but were no match for the Lions who had 538.

Rounding out the five-school field were Nashua, N.H. at 202, host Haverhill 191 and Lowell 129.

Best individual finishes were by Steve Graham with a second and third, and Justin Crocker who recorded a second. The locals were also runners-up in the 400 free relay.

The top 12 finishers in each event scored.

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In the 200-yard medley relay, the Andover A team of junior Justin Crocker, sophomore Colin Callahan, freshman Nick Saunders and senior Steve Graham finished fourth in 1:51.34.

The 200 medley B team of freshman Mike Cronin, senior Luke Moskal, senior Rick Umlah and junior Bert Gilbert placed seventh (2:03.48).

Crocker led four locals in the 200 free with a fourth place (1:55.49). Sophomore Sean Geary was fifth (1:55.68), Cronin 10th in 2:17.05 and Gilbert 14th in 2:37.90.

Graham was runner-up in the 200 IM (2:07.49), while Moskal placed 11th in 2:26.95 and Callahan 12th in 2:27.09.

Saunders placed fourth in the 50 free (24.87), junior Rob Lakow sixth (26.21) and sophomore Mike Avila seventh (26.32).

Also competing in the crowded 50 were Umlah (13th, 27.96), freshman Ben Carter (16th, 28.96), junior Jonathan Leung (17th, 29.30), senior Calvin Leung (18th, 29.31), junior Gary Chen (20th, 30.07), junior Phil Martin (23rd, 31.75), sophomore Tom Huang (24th, 33.77), junior Adam Edelstein (25th, 35.87) and freshman Steve Fang (27th, 37.63).

Freshman Dany Guy finished sixth in the one-meter diving with 97.30 points, and Saunders added a sixth in the 100 butterfly (1:00.43).

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Lakow was the top AHS finisher in the 100 free as he touched 11th in 58.96. Freshman Paul D'Ambrosio was 12th (59.24), Avila 13th (59.55), Gilbert 16th (1:01.94), Martin 20th (1:12.64), Carter 22nd (1:13.94), Chen 24th (1:15.04), Huang 30th (1:18.88), Edelstein 32nd (1:22.44) and Fang 33rd (1:26.02).

Graham placed third in the 500 free (5:05.85) and Geary was fourth (5:06.05).

The Andover A 200 free relay of Paul D'Ambrosio, Callahan, Lakow and Geary was fourth (1:43.79), while the B quartet of Avila, Umlah, Cronin and Gilbert was sixth (1:48.49).

AHS Honors

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Luoma, Casey
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Malis, Jonathan David
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Medaglio, Dana Florence
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Miller, Stephen Jeffrey
Minton, John Henry
Monteiro, Matthew James
Morrison, Emily Anne
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Muller, Jenny Ann
Murphy, Lorna Marie
Murray, Lauren Christine
Nelson, Nels Olaf
Nill, David Gordon
Oliveira, Daniel Sousa
Olsheskie, Mary Claire
Ongondo, Serno Ruth
Page, Alison Zielin
Paone, Michael Charles
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Pearson, Emily Jeanne
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Perron, Andre Joseph
Pescatore, Michael Brian
Pfeil, Willliam Andrew
Pierce, Elizabeth Holland
Pilla, Gregory Michael
Pineault, Amanda Dawn
Pirro, Jennifer Sara
Proctor, Janelle Lee
Rabinovitz, Jeffrey Louis
Retelle, Lindsey Diane
Rosen, Lindsay Michelle
Rosenberg, Claire Lenore
Rouse, Matthew Alexander
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Shannon, Alison Marie
Shaw, Philip John
Sideman, Lynn Elizabeth
Singh, Vikram Emmanuel
Sloan, Jaime Michelle
Smidt, Jeffrey Clark
Spang, Alexandra Chase
Stamas, Nicholas James
Stevens, Russell Bentley
Stewart, Katherine Theresa
Tripp, Christopher Reed
Underhill, Lauren Anne
Valleau, Thomas Daniel
Vallera, Lisa Michelle
Wacks, Hillary Nadine
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High Honors

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Pubic Comment on Merrimack College
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February 15, 2001

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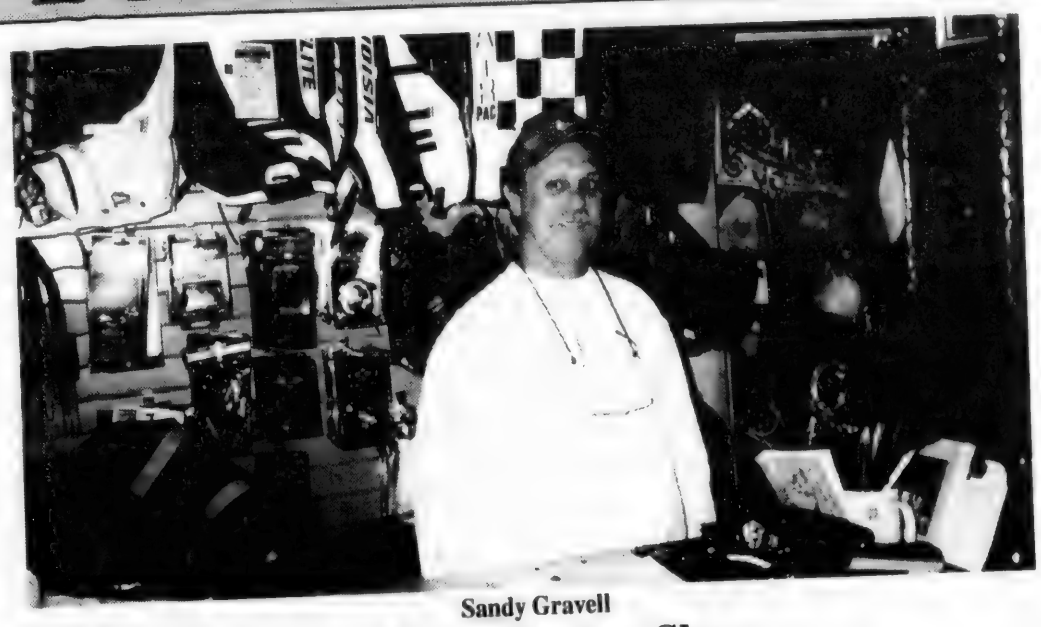

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A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of River Birch Development, LLC, 16 Rocky Hill Road, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Sections V.A. and VII.A. and/or for special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A, and as a party aggrieved, for review of a decision made by the Building Inspector, to allow the construction of a single family residence after the demolition of an existing, non-conforming residence, on a lot that does not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 442 South Main Street, Andover, MA in a Single Residence C District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 63 as Lot 2.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
February 15 & 22, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Upper Falls Realty Trust, 25 River Road, Andover, MA for variances from requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Sections V.8.a snd V.8.b and/or for special permit under Article VIII, Section V.8.e to allow the removal of existing residence and construction of driveway to access industrial property through a residential zone.

Premises affected are located at 25R and 29 River Road, Andover, MA in the Residential SRC and Industrial IA Districts; and are shown on Assessor's Map 126 as Lots 7 and 8A.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
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BOARD OF APPEALS
February 15 & 22, 2001

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF ANDOVER
BOARD OF HEALTH

A public hearing will be held by the Andover Board of Health in the Second Floor Conference Room, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, on Monday, March 5, 2001, at 6:45 P.M. in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 81U, Subdivision Control law for the purpose of reviewing the proposed subdivision Definitive Plan entitled: "BLACH HORSE LANE," formerly STERLING OAKES", revision dated January 9, 2001 located off Rocky Hill Road, Andover, MA as filed on January 20, 2001 by Sterling Woods, Development Corporation, 246 Candlestick Road, North Andover, MA 01845

BY: Douglas Dunbar,
Chairman
Andover Board of Health
February 15, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of John Pearce, 1 Bancroft Road, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section VB.2.i. to allow construction of a tennis court that will not meet the requirements of the Zoning By-Law.

Premises affected are located at 3 Bancroft Road, Andover, MA in a Single Residence C District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 59 as Lot 31A.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
February 15 & 22, 2001

TOWN OF ANDOVER

PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, February 27, 2001, at 8:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on an application made by O'Brien Homes, Inc. for a Special Permit for Earth Movement for a proposed 5-lot Definitive Subdivision Plan entitled "Cassimere Street Extension" on property owned by Wood Ayer Limited Partnership located northeasterly of the existing cul-de-sac along Cassimere Street, more specifically identified as Assessors' Map 37, Parcel 23a. The application may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD
Michael H. Miller, Esq.,
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February 8 &15, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Christopher & Leslie Quartararo, 70 Holt Road, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section V.A and/or a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 to repair and enlarge front door stoop and to add portico that will not meet dimensional requirements .

Premises affected are located at 70 Holt Road, Andover, MA in a Single Residence B District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 42 as Lot 39.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
February 15 & 22, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Peter C. and Maria C. McLaughlin, 201 Highland Road, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section V.A. and/or for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 to allow the construction of additions and alterations to an existing non-conforming residence which will not meet the dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 201 Highland Road, Andover, MA in a Single Residence C District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 5 as Lot 85.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
February 15 & 22, 2001

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF ANDOVER
BOARD OF HEALTH

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BY: Douglas Dunbar,
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February 15, 2001

ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby provided that the Andover Planning Board will conduct a hearing pursuant to G.L. c. 40A, s. 5 on the following warrant article to amend the Andover Zoning By-Law. The public hearing will be held on Tuesday, February 27, 2001, at 7:30 P.M. at the Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, Third Floor Conference Room, Andover, Massachusetts, at which time all interested persons may appear and be heard in relation thereto.

A copy of the full text of this proposed article may be reviewed at the office of the Town

Clerk and the Department of Community Development and Planning at the Town Offices Building during the regular business hours of Monday - Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. A copy of the full text is also available at the Andover Memorial Hall Library.

TO SEE IF THE TOWN WILL VOTE TO AMEND THE ANDOVER ZONING BY-LAW, Article VIII, BY MAKING THE FOLLOWING CHANGES:

ITEM 1. DELETE THE ANDOVER ZONING BY-LAW IN ITS ENTIRETY, INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING SECTIONS OF THE ZONING BY-LAW:

SECTION	SUBJECT
Section I.	Purpose
Section II.	Definitions
Section III.	Establishment of Districts
Section IV.	Use Regulations Table of Use Regulations
Section V.	Dimensional Requirements Table of Dimensional Requirements
Section VI.	Other Requirements, including parking; signs; landscaping, buffering, lighting; cluster development; earth movement; Office Park District; Agriculture and livestock; Industrial D; Flood Hazard District; Accessory Scientific Uses; Design Advisory Group; General Business District Design Guidance; Towers; Wireless Communications; Multiple Dwellings; Watershed Protection Overlay District; Site Plan Review; Mixed Use District; Child Care Facility; Unregistered vehicle or vehicle not in condition fort ravel; Adult Uses; Elderly Housing; Alternative modes of travel Minimum Parking Space and Aisle Dimensions for Parking Areas
Section VII.	Nonconformance
Section VIII.	Administration and procedure

ITEM 2. ADD THE FOLLOWING NEW SECTIONS IN THE RE-CODIFIED ANDOVER ZONING BY-LAW, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1.0.	PURPOSE AND AUTHORITY
1 1	Purpose
1.2.	Authority
1.3.	Scope
1 4.	Applicability
1.5.	Amendments
1 6.	Severability
SECTION 2.0.	DISTRICTS
2.1.	Establishment
2.2.	Overlay Districts
2.3.	Zoning Map
2 4.	Rules for Interpretation of Zoning District Boundaries
SECTION 3.0.	USE REGULATIONS
3.1.	General
3.2.	Accessory Uses
3.3.	Nonconforming Uses and Structures
SECTION 4.0.	DIMENSIONAL REQUIREMENTS
4.1.	General
4.2.	Accessory Buildings and Structures
SECTION 5.0.	GENERAL REGULATIONS
5.1.	Off-Street Parking and Loading
5.2.	Signs
5.3.	Landscaping, Buffering and Lighting
SECTION 6.0.	SPECIAL REGULATIONS
6.1.	Wireless Communication Facilities or Other Similar Communications Use
6.2.	Amateur Radio Facilities
6.3.	Earth Movement
6.4.	Wind Energy Towers
6.5.	Adult Uses.
6.6.	Child Care Facility
6.7.	Unregistered Vehicles
6.8.	Alternative Modes of Transportation
6.9.	Agriculture and Livestock
SECTION 7.0.	SPECIAL RESIDENTIAL REGULATIONS
7.1.	Cluster Development
7.2.	Planned Development
7.3.	Attached Cluster
7.4.	Elderly Housing
7.5.	Conversion to Multifamily Use
7.6.	Multiple Dwellings
SECTION 8.0.	SPECIAL DISTRICT REGULATIONS
8.1.	Watershed Protection Overlay District
8.2.	Flood Hazard Overlay District
8.3.	Reserved
8.4.	Mixed Use District
8.5.	Industrial D District
SECTION 9.0.	ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES
9.1.	Enforcement
9.2.	Board of Appeals
9.3.	Planning Board
9.4.	Special Permits
9.5.	Site Plan Review
9.6.	Design Review
9.7.	Repetitive Petitions
SECTION 10.0.	DEFINITIONS
APPENDIX A	TABLE 1 - Table of Use Regulations TABLE 2 - Table of Dimensional Requirements TABLE 3 - Table of Off-Street Parking Requirements TABLE 4 - Parking Dimensions

THE ANDOVER PLANNING BOARD
MICHAEL H. MILLER, ESQ.
CHAIRMAN

February 8 & 15, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Rosemary Costello, 5 Wolcott Avenue, Andover, MA for a variance from the requirements of the Andover Zoning By-Law, Article VIII, Section V.A. and/or for a special permit under Article VIII, Section VII.A.1 to convert existing porch to four-season room and add a deck that will not meet dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 5 Wolcott Avenue, Andover, MA in a Single Residence A District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 38 as Lot 193.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
February 15 & 22, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Nextel Communications, 60 Hartwell Avenue, Lexington, MA for a special permit under Article VIII, Sections IV.B.50B and VI.N to allow the installation of an equipment shelter and 12 antennas on the roof of an existing building.

Premises affected are located at 6-14 Central Street, Andover, MA in a General Business District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 55 as Lot 98.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
February 15 & 22, 2001

TOWN OF ANDOVER

PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, February 27, 2001, at 8:30 p.m., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, on an application made by O'Brien Homes, Inc. for a 5-lot Definitive Subdivision Plan entitled "Cassimere Street Extension" on property owned by Wood Ayer Limited Partnership located northeasterly of the existing cul-de-sac along Cassimere Street, more specifically identified as Assessors' Map 37, Parcel 23a. The application may be examined in the Planning Department between the hours of 8:30 a.m., and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

THE ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD
Michael H. Miller, Esq.,
Chairman
February 8 & 15, 2001

OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS
NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held at MEMORIAL HALL LIBRARY, SECOND FLOOR in MEMORIAL HALL, ELM SQUARE, ANDOVER on THURSDAY, March 1, 2001 at 7:00 P.M. on the petition of Ann E. Constantine, 81 Central Street Andover, MA for modification of Decision No. 3017 to allow the construction of additions and alterations to an existing non-conforming structure which will not meet the dimensional requirements.

Premises affected are located at 81 Central Street, Andover, MA in a Single Residence A District; and are shown on Assessor's Map 74 as Lot 87.

DANIEL S. CASPER,
CHAIRMAN
BOARD OF APPEALS
February 15 & 22, 2001

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
THE TRIAL COURT
PROBATE
AND FAMILY COURT
DEPARTMENT
ESSEX DIVISION
Docket No. 01P0197-EP1

NOTICE

In the ESTATE OF **ARTHUR A. LEVESQUE otherwise known as ARTHUR AZARIE LEVESQUE**

To all persons interested in the estate of ARTHUR A. LEVESQUE, otherwise known as ARTHUR AZARIE LEVESQUE late of the County of Essex Date of Death, October 23, 1999

A petition has been presented in the above captioned matter praying that a certain instrument be probated purporting to be the last will of said deceased by ARTHUR E. J. LEVESQUE of Rochdale in the County of Worcester, praying that he be appointed executor thereof, without giving sureties on his bond. LILLIAN D. LEVESQUE, first named executrix in said will having deceased.

IF YOU DESIRE TO OBJECT THERETO, YOU OR YOUR ATTORNEY MUST FILE A WRITTEN APPEARANCE IN SAID COURT AT Salem, 36 Federal St., Salem, MA 01970 BEFORE 10:00 O'CLOCK IN THE FORENOON (10:00 A.M.) ON March 12, 2001

Wills only: In addition you must file a written affidavit of objections to the petition, stating the specific facts and grounds upon which the objection is based, within thirty (30) days after the return day (or such other time as the court, on motion with notice to the petitioner, may allow) in accordance with Probate Rule 16.

Witness, Edward J. Rockett, Esquire, First Justice of said Court. Date February 2, 2001

Pamela Casey O'Brien
Register of Probate Court
February 15, 2001

LEGAL NOTICE
PUBLIC HEARING

TOWN OF ANDOVER
BOARD OF HEALTH

A public hearing will be held by the Andover Board of Health in the Second Floor Conference Room, Town Offices, 36 Bartlet Street, March 5, 2001, at 7:15 P.M. in accordance with the provisions of M.G.L. Chapter 41, Section 81U, Subdivision Control law for the purpose of reviewing the proposed subdivision Definitive Plan entitled: "VICTORIA PLACE" revision dated 11/10/2000, located off River Street, Andover, MA as filed on December 8, 2000 by Douglas Wacome, Fieldstone Meadows Development Corp., P.O. 4011 BV, Andover, MA 01810.

BY: Douglas Dunbar,
Chairman
Andover Board of Health
February 15, 2001

TOWN OF ANDOVER

PLANNING BOARD

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be convened on Tuesday, February 27, 2001 at 10:00 pm., in the Third Floor Conference Room, Town Office Building, Bartlet Street, for the purpose of amending the Planning Board's Rules and Regulations Governing the Subdivision of Land, and the Planning Board's Rules Governing Special Permits as follows:

(1) Amend Section III.E.2.f. of the Subdivision Rules and Regulations by increasing the fee for legal advertising from $130.00 to $140.00

(2) Amend Section 4.0 of the Rules Governing Special Permits by increasing the advertising fee from $130.00 to $140.00 for all special permits listed thereunder.

THE ANDOVER
PLANNING BOARD
Michael H. Miller, Esq.,
Chairman
Feb. 8, & 15, 2001

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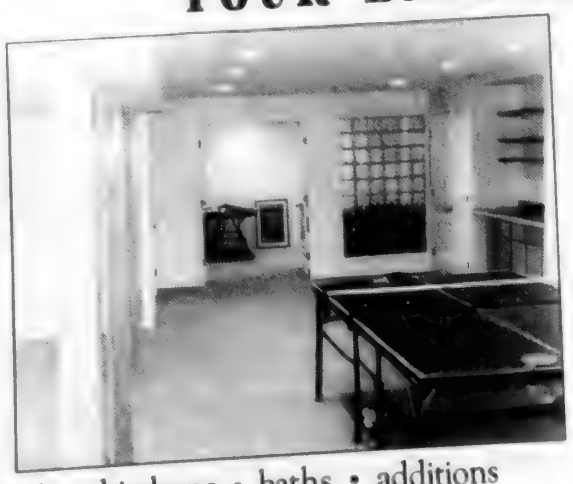

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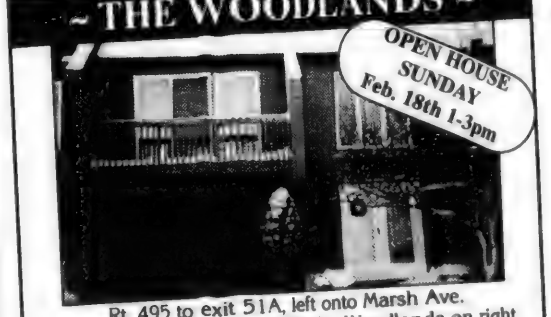

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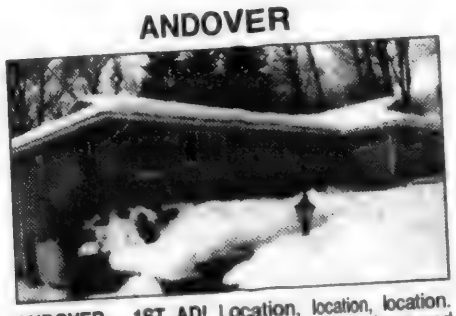

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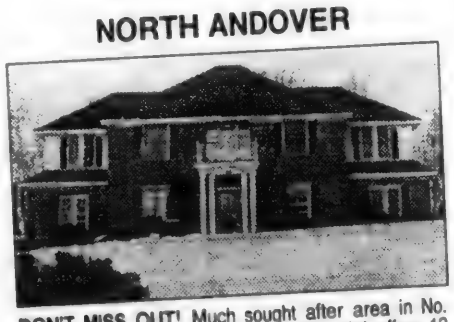

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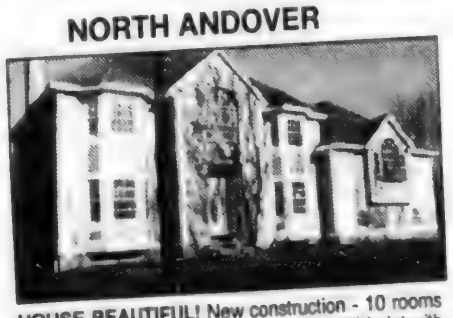

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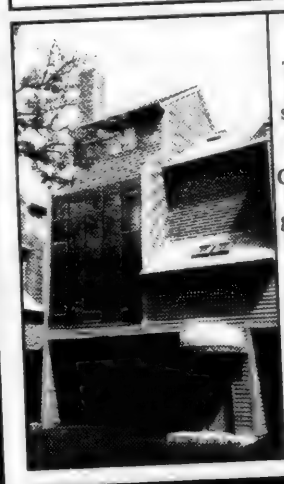

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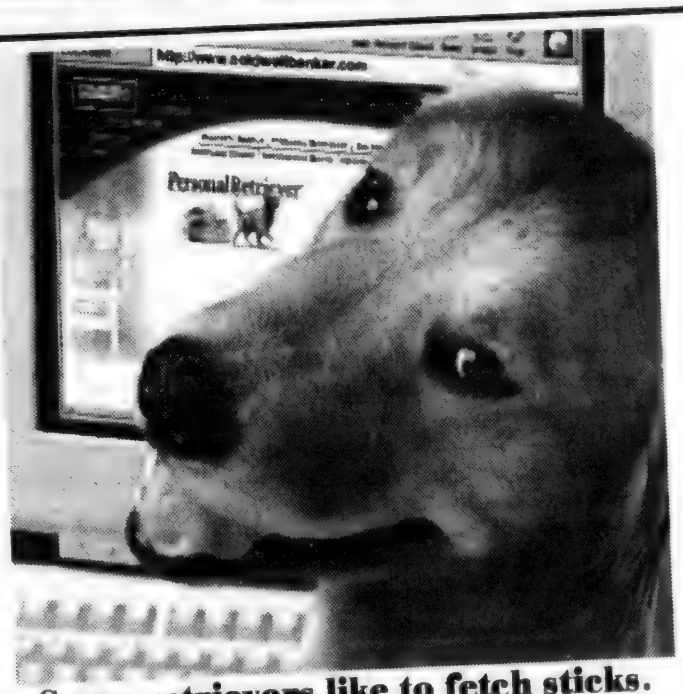

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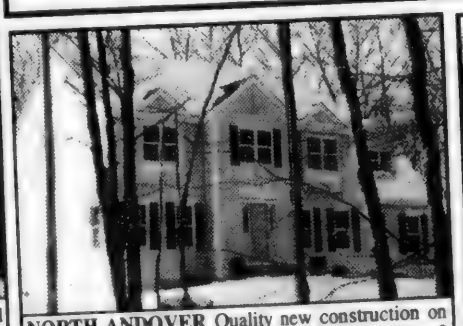

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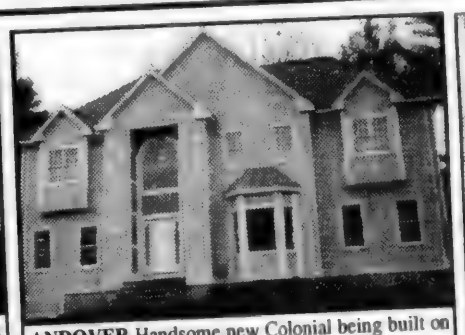

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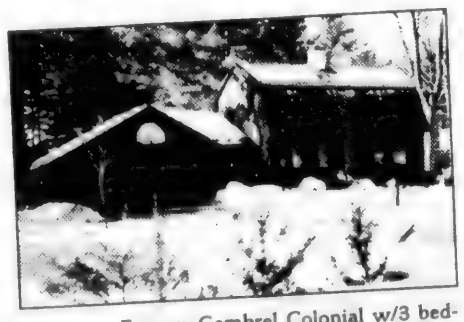

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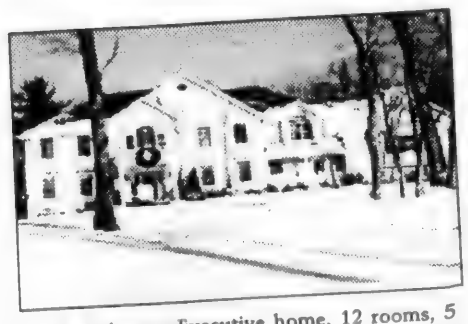

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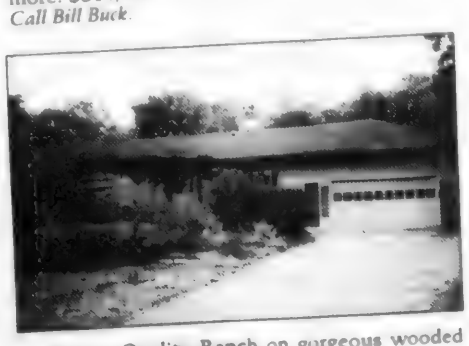

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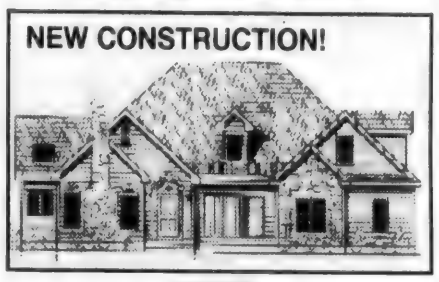

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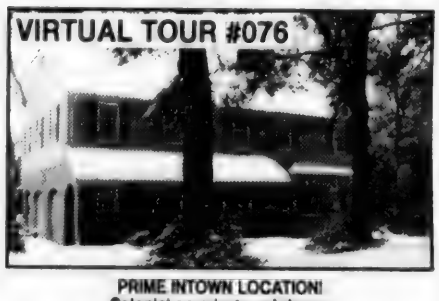

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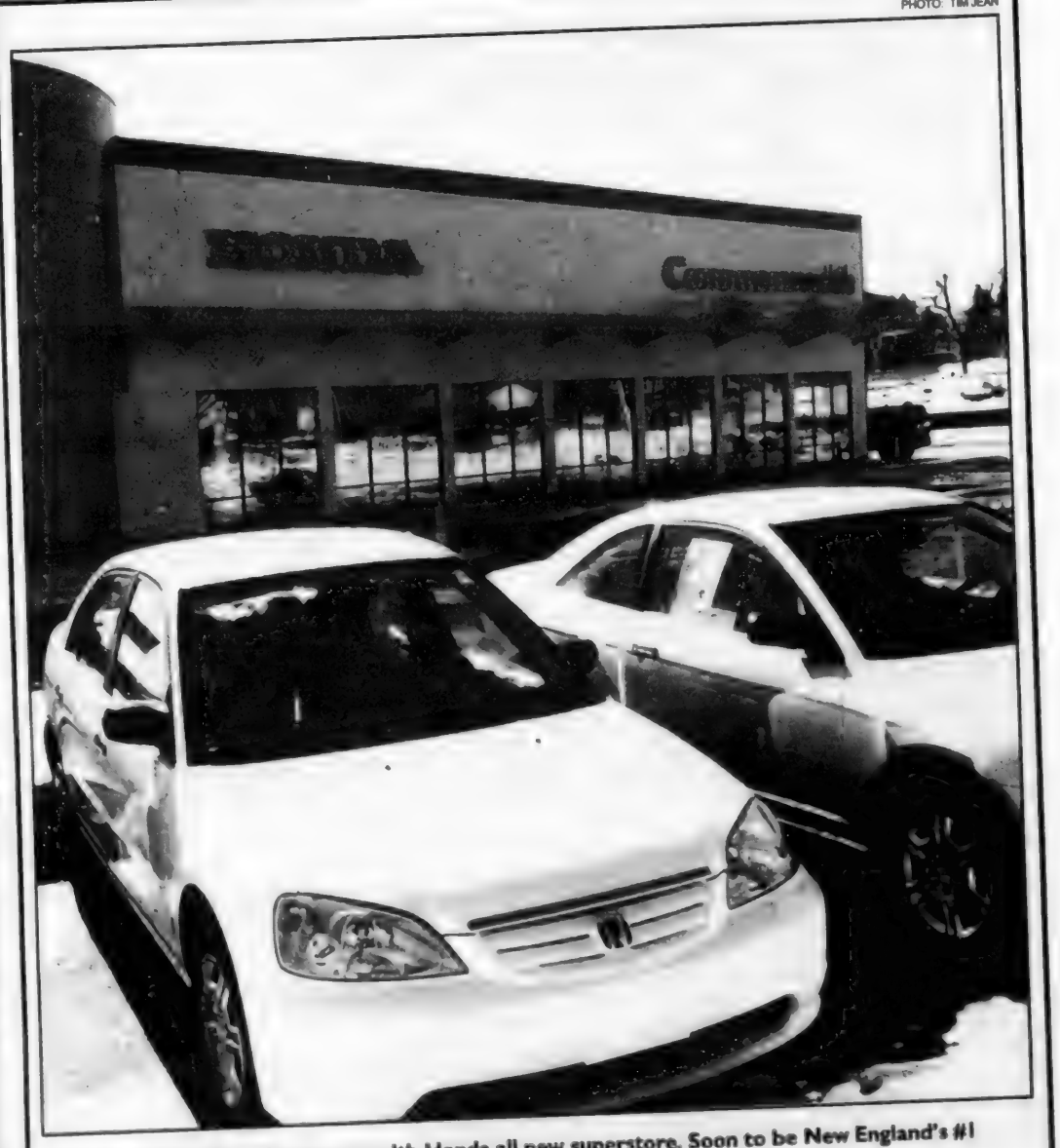

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(NUE) – For many people, buying a car is the biggest expense of their lives after purchasing a home. And like buying a home, buying a car can be tricky. That's because of the many styles and options available to consumers.

To be sure you make the wisest choice, you need to do some homework. If you've studied your needs and the market, you're more likely to come up with a car that's right for you than if all you did was kick the tires.

Here are some things to keep in mind as you enter the car market:

– First, do some serious thinking about your current needs. Think car use rather than car model. Do you see yourself cruising around in a convertible, or are you more likely to opt for a family vehicle?

– How often will the car be used – every day, several times a week or only occasionally? If you put an average number of miles on the car each year – that's about 12,000 – a midsize engine may suit you best. If you drive more than that, a larger engine may mean a more enduring performance. If you drive fewer miles, a small engine will offer better economy.

– Shop around for the best price. Go to the Internet for comparison shopping. More car buyers than ever are visiting the virtual marketplace before going to the showroom or used-car lot. Most of what you've read here is directed to the new-car buyer, but buying used is very similar to buying new. Assess your needs, estimate what you can afford and above all, do your homework.

– In buying your car, consider how much insurance you'll need and who's the best insurer for you. Find out what kind of a warranty you can get. And, if you have a child who is about to get a driver's license, there'll be new safety concerns and additional insurance costs to think about. Parents can encourage safe driving by insisting their kids wear a safety belt at all times while driving, never mix driving and drinking and drive defensively.

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(NAPS) – The number of vehicles on (and off) the road in the United States and around the world is increasing dramatically. Vehicle use is also on the rise, as measured by the more than two trillion miles traveled in the United States each year. All of this adds up to a greater demand for transportation fuels, an ever-increasing strain on natural resources and more pollutants entering the environment.

A new kind of engine, one that makes energy without combustion, may ease this strain and eventually eliminate our need for gasoline or diesel fuel. It's called the fuel cell. Fuel cells are being developed for a variety of transportation applications, including passenger cars, scooters, sport utility vehicles, heavy-duty trucks and buses, locomotives and marine applications.

A fuel cell is an electrochemical engine that generates electricity by harnessing the reaction of hydrogen and oxygen. A fuel cell is built like a battery, but with a big difference. Unlike a battery, a fuel cell does not run down or require recharging. It will produce electricity as long as fuel is supplied.

Fuel cells operate on hydrogen, and in principle almost any hydrogen-containing substance can be used for fuel, from grass clippings to perfume. Hydrogen – the most abundant element on earth – can be used directly, or a fuel cell system that includes a "fuel reformer" can use the hydrogen from any hydrocarbon fuel.

The most likely candidates for fuel cell fuels are natural gas, ethanol or methanol. Even gasoline or diesel could be used while our economy makes the transition to renewable fuels.

Because fuel cells convert the chemical energy of a fuel into electrical energy without combustion, the process is highly efficient and extremely clean. When renewably produced hydrogen is used, the only byproducts are drinkable water and heat.

Every major auto company in the world is evaluating the use of fuel cells in passenger vehicles, and almost all of them are testing fuel cell concept cars on the road. Daimler/Chrysler, Ford, General Motors and Toyota all say they will have commercially available fuel cell vehicles for some markets by 2004 to 2007.

The efficiency, reliability and environmental benefits of fuel cells make it a key technology for ensuring mobility in both developed and developing nations, without putting further strain on the environment or its natural resources.

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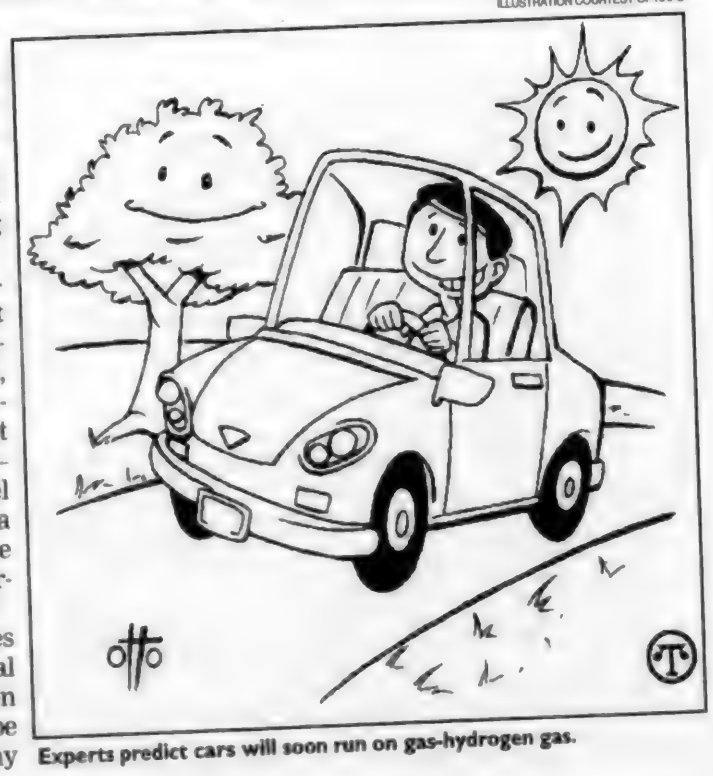

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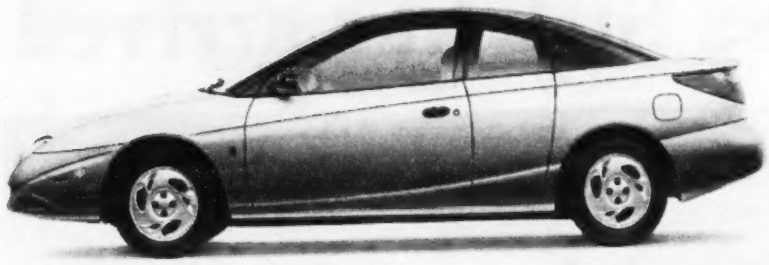

Saturn's three-door coupe has sleek new look

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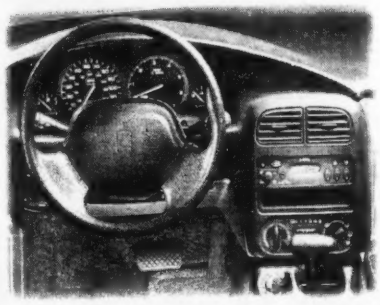

A Saturn with sex appeal. Now, that's newsworthy. Don't get us wrong. When we introduced the world's first three-door coupe last year, it was one good-looking machine. But this year, thanks to a major makeover, the car's significantly sleeker, sportier and – well, sexier.

The car's upswept bodyside styling, reflector-optics headlights and wraparound tail lights combine to give it a strong, sweeping look. To help keep the interior cool (and who won't appreciate that on a sizzling summer afternoon?), there's special solar glass.

There's also a lot that doesn't meet the eye, like a torque-heavy, 1.9-liter dual-overhead-cam engine, five-speed manual transmission and four-wheel independent suspension for those scenic but snaking mountain roads. All in all, our coupe's a car with plenty of style – and the substance to back it up.

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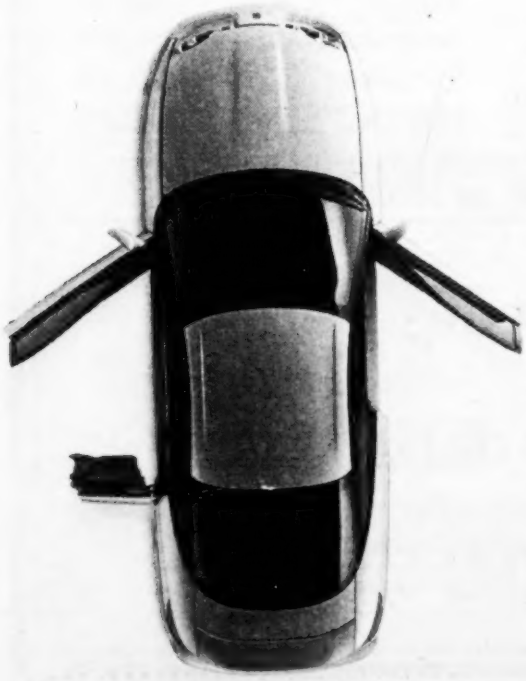

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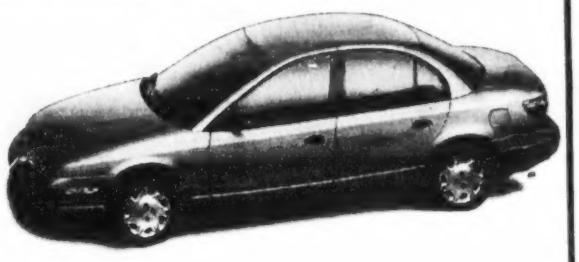

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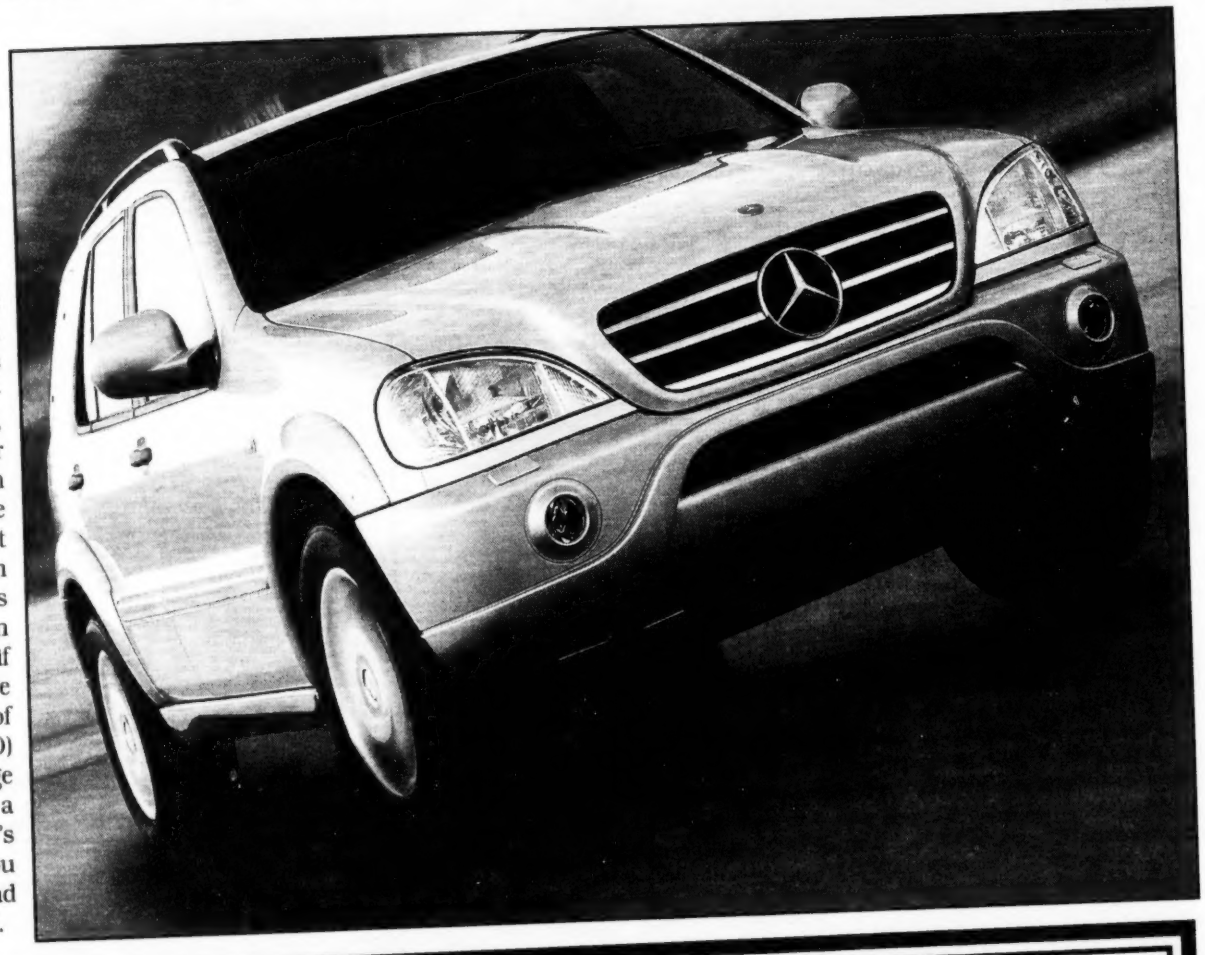

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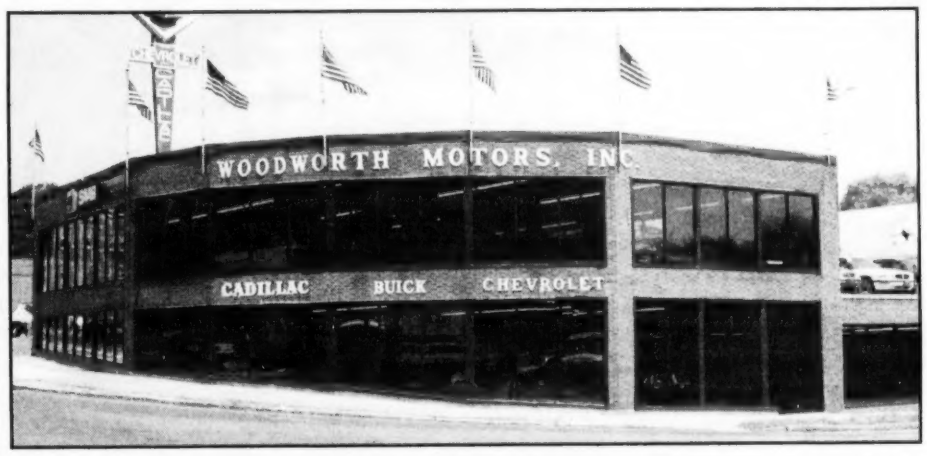

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